

DLA Intern Program participants are trained in these fields:

- *Enterprise-wide perspective of logistics support.*
- *State-of-the-art product and industry knowledge to communicate with their military customers and commercial suppliers and to employ strategies to provide integrated logistics support.*
- *Technical skills required to perform at the journey-level in a career field.*
- *Other career fields at their activities so they can function effectively on a multifunctional team.*
- *Business, commercial practices, and supply chain management as well as information technology and analytical skills.*
- *Building and maintaining contractor and customer interfaces.*

DLA upgrades computer network in Japan

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When your business operates 24 hours a day in cities across the globe, you need a fast, reliable and secure computer network to support your customers.

DLA is now one step closer to that worldwide network. A DLA telecommunications team recently installed a new network hub at the Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan (DDYJ), to serve all DLA activities in mainland Japan as well as DLA activities in other parts of the Far East.

The project, called the DLA Enterprise Telecommunications Network (ETN), will create an agency-wide telecommunications network that will include state of the art cyber security features, and provide more direct access for DLA end-users to DLA online application systems. Prior to ETN installation, DDYJ was serviced by the DOD Non-Classified IP Router Network or NIPRNET and a T-1, or 1.5 megabits per second (Mbps), connection. With the ETN, the connect speed is 12 Mbps.

The ETN is part of an agency IT strategy that will result in an online

DLA enterprise-wide environment that encourages and supports communication, collaboration, and information sharing within and between all business units in DLA. The project is expected to help improve integration among DLA activities, and allow for future business and mission growth.

“Already possessing the requisite personnel expertise, DDYJ will now be able to couple state-of-the-art technology which will enable it to deliver world-class physical distribution service to the Warfighter,” said CDR Will A. Clarke, SC, USN, DDYJ’s Commanding Officer.

Under the ETN, the network hub at DDYJ eliminates the need for DLA activities in the Far East to use disparate Armed Services networks to connect back to the continental United States.

In addition to the ETN hub, aging telecommunications cabling at DDYJ that does not adequately support high-speed data transmission speeds, multimedia, and web-based applications is being replaced with modern fiber optic and copper telecommunications cabling.

When completed, the DLA network will have multiple hubs and redundancy to ensure fast, reliable service as the agency supports America’s Warfighters.

