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SUBJECT: BlackBerry Common Access Card (CAC) Sled Procurement Guidance

1. References:

a. Memorandum, CIO/G-6, Guidance for Transition to Secure/Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (S/MIME)-Enhanced and CAC-Enabled Two-way Wireless Email Devices, 31 Oct 03, AKO Document ID Number: [634589](#).

b. Listing of Army-approved Two-way Wireless Email Devices, 22 Jun 04, AKO Document ID Number: [634588](#).

c. Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Information Management (C4IM) Service List, AKO Document ID Number: [939626](#).

2. This memorandum provides information on acceptable two-way wireless email device solutions and directs the procurement (using reimbursable funds) and upgrading of GO/SES's handheld's with the capability to interface with DoD CAC/Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). Local DOIMs will provide all General Officers (GOs) and Senior Executive Service (SES) personnel with a CAC sled and a suitable two-way wireless email device to go with it, if they do not already have one, within six months from the date of this memorandum. The Chief of Staff, Army (CSA), has previously mandated that all Army Senior Leaders (i.e. GOs/SESs) will encrypt all email traffic to other Senior Leaders. The Army has recently completed testing of the Apriva s6700 CAC sled for the 6710/6750 BlackBerry which, when used in conjunction with S/MIME, allows the handheld user to wirelessly send and receive digitally signed and encrypted messages.

3. Reference 1a authorized the continued use of existing devices with the understanding that transition to an S/MIME-enhanced and CAC-enabled device will be required within six months after a device/service combination with acceptable performance becomes available in their local area. Per Reference 1b, currently this would include either a BlackBerry 6710 (T-Mobile or AT&T) or 6750 (Verizon). While CAC sleds are planned for newer BlackBerries with USB ports later this year, the Army has no direct control over the availability of those units.

4. The Army CIO/G-6 will not purchase CAC sleds and BlackBerries for the Army. Per Reference 1c, initially this is a reimbursable service and will require funds to implement or expand at the local level. DOIMs and activities procuring two-way wireless email

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devices are strongly encouraged to use the Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPA) specified below:

Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM), Enterprise Systems Technology Activity (ESTA), Army Telecommunications Directorate (ATD), point-of-contact (POC): Ms. Ada Veney, (520) 538-7934, DSN 879-7934, email: ada.veney@us.army.mil.

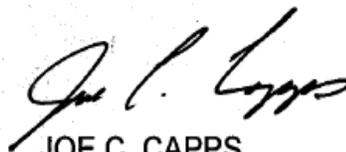
NETCOM'S BPAs DAAB32-02-A-A021 (T-Mobile) or W91RUS-04-A-0016 (CDWG), pricing is as follows:

- Apriva s6700 CAC Sled: \$224.00
- S/MIME: \$98.00 (other carrier's pricing and availability may vary)
- Executive Black Leather Carrying Case for Apriva s6700: \$44.00

5. GOs/SESs serving in areas where two-way wireless service is not available (such as Korea, Afghanistan, and Iraq) are exempt from this requirement until service is available.

6. A Secure/Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions (S/MIME) Enhanced BlackBerry (SEB) User's Guide, AKO Document ID Number [1065603](#), should be downloaded from the "[Army CAC PKI](#)" Knowledge Collaboration Center (KCC), customized with local help desk information, and provided to the CAC Sled user. A SEB Installer's Guide, AKO Document ID Number [1072601](#), is also available for download.

7. My Points-of-Contact for this action are Jim Lynch, (703) 602-7501, DSN: 332-7501, and Chris Miller, (703) 602-7509, DSN: 332; Email: army.cac.pki@us.army.mil. Consult the Two-way Wireless Email Device Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), AKO Document Number [853315](#), for the latest developments with CAC sleds.



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