



Business Gateway



Governance Board Meeting February 9, 2005

Agenda



- Welcome
- Purpose and Expected Outcome
- COMPASS Presentation and Next Steps
- Coal Vertical Presentation and Next Steps
- Project Updates
- Closing Comments

Purpose and Expected Outcome

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➤ Purpose:

- To provide updates on the Business Gateway initiative, specifically regarding a compliance assistance tool (COMPASS) and data harmonization project (Coal Vertical Pilot).

➤ Expected Outcome:

- Governance Board's decision to move forward on funding the COMPASS and Coal Vertical Teams' Recommendations.



COMPASS PRESENTATION – An Interagency Compliance Assistance Tool

What is COMPASS?



- A pilot compliance assistance tool developed by multiple agencies that:
 - Directs business users to cross-agency regulatory information and resources specific to their industry
 - Reduces compliance and reporting burden on businesses and increases agency efficiency

Demonstration



- On-line demonstration of COMPASS.
- COMPASS URL.
 - **A working prototype of the COMPASS Profiler is accessible at:**
<http://java.belzabar.com/profiler/Profiler>
 - **User ID: profiler**
 - **Password: profiler**

Benefits of COMPASS



- Business community benefits
 - Quick, “one-stop” access to compliance tools and resources
 - Increased understanding of regulatory obligations
- Agency benefits
 - “Smart” tool that directs users to relevant information, saving government employee time and resources
 - Reduced agency compliance enforcement costs
 - Links to agency web sites to broaden constituency education on agency-specific issues



➤ **Total Investment To Date (FY04)**

- \$35,000 for initial proof-of-concept.

➤ **FY05 Budget for Compliance Assistance: \$770,000**

Recommendation

➤ **Conduct a Requirements Analysis to:**

- Clearly define pilot scope (\$70K), develop requirements and better understand implementation costs

➤ **Next Steps**

- Acquisition and implementation of compliance assistance solution(s) resulting from requirements analysis

What do we need from you



- Support for our recommendation to move ahead with the Requirements Analysis
- Funding support through the MOU effort
- Executive support to allow agency resources to contribute to the BG mission



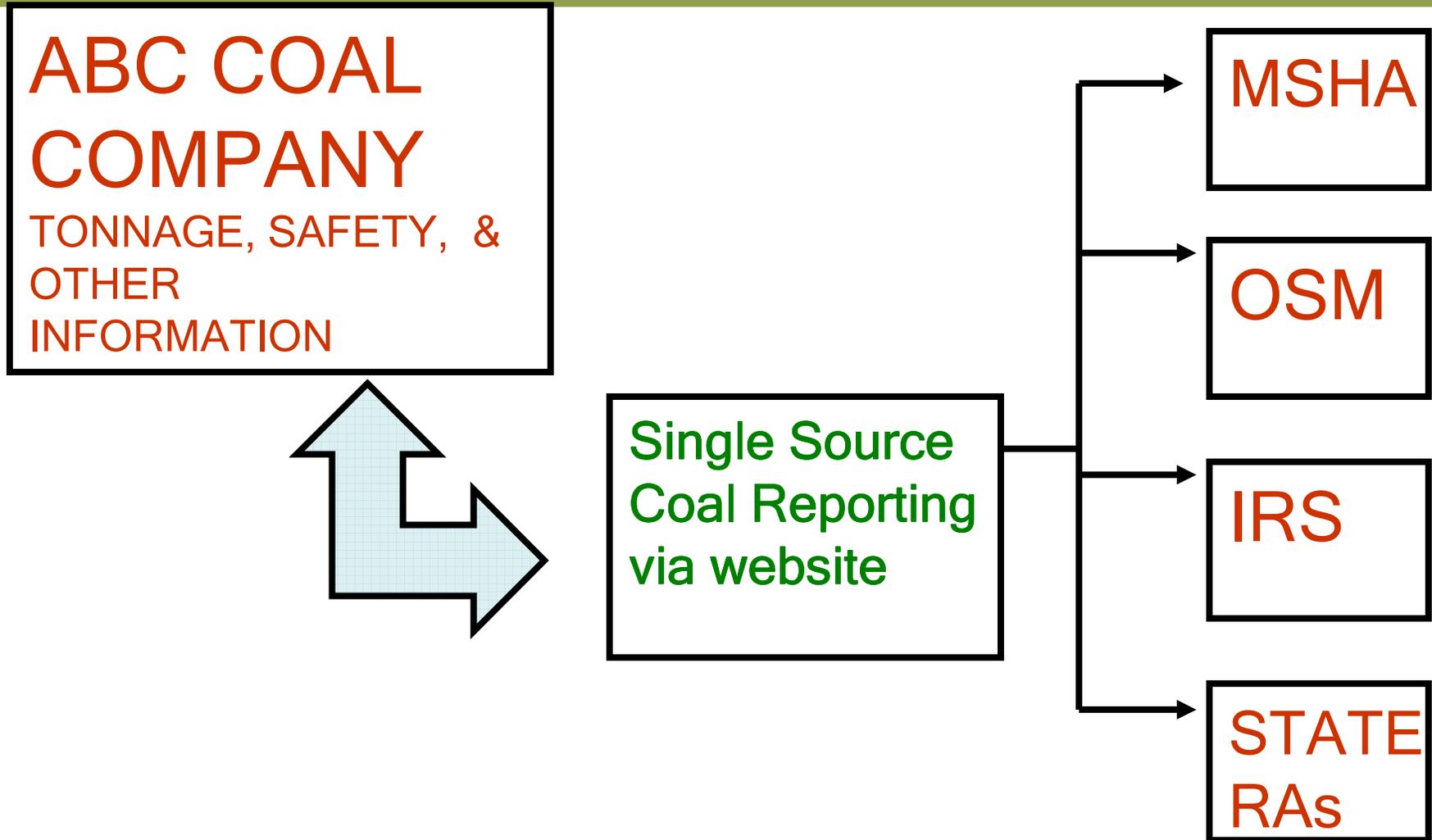
COAL VERTICAL PRESENTATION – Streamlining data collection and forms processes

Model Project: Single Source Coal Reporting



- Customer initiated, business driven idea, requested by industry, and initiated by a State Regulatory Authority.
- **Purpose:** to reduce industry reporting burden through the sharing of reported information

Simple Idea



Results of Proof of Concept



Work Accomplished

- Tested by 20 companies from 7 states
- Completed the requirements process
- Developed an initial XML schema
 - Being considered as International standard
- Performed a technical implementation analysis

Business Case

- 10 -1 Return On Investment primarily from burden reduction on industry
- 80% of testers rated the burden reduction as significant or moderate
- Testers are still using the modified version for reporting

Benefits:



➤ **Business**

- Data Consistency
- Lower cost for data entry – done by the company on-line
- Lower costs in mailing and follow-up work
- Fewer errors and discrepancies
- 4 Federal forms (& additional state forms) reduced to one

➤ **Agencies**

- Use of data from other agencies in a seamless manner
- Compliant with federal regulations
 - eGov, GPEA, and PRA Goals
 - OMB / NIST e-Authentication Guidelines
 - HSPD-12 - digital signatures and identity management
 - Public Key Interface (PKI) – enabled
 - Section 508, Privacy Act, FOIA





➤ **Total Investment To Date (FY04)**

- \$65,000 for Business Requirements Document and Alternative Analysis
- \$80,000 for development of the XML Schema for the data elements fields for entry into Core Components Registry.

➤ **Total FY05 Budget for Harmonization: \$720,000**

Recommendation

➤ Create system that provides industry with a single point of data entry and provides partners with access to data

- Costs and time: \$275,000 and 28 weeks

➤ Next Steps

- Implementation of a scalable solution for the surface coal industry

What do we need from you



- Support for our recommendation to move ahead with the Requirements Analysis
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PROJECT UPDATES

FY05 Planning Process



- BG Core Team conducted planning discussions in early Dec '04
- On Jan 26-27, BG held the first of a series of planning meetings with agency partners to identify and validate high-level programmatic activities for FY05
- Meetings were held for the following project areas:
 - Forms Catalog, Compliance, Portal, Harmonization, and Outreach
- The following agencies participated in at least one planning meeting:
 - HUD, DOT, Treasury, EPA, GSA, DOL, DOJ, DOC, DoEd, HHS, SBA
- Results of the planning meetings were presented to the Advisory Group on February 2nd, who expressed support

Key Themes from Planning Sessions



➤ Planning

- Engage business community to validate and refine project direction and guide future investments

➤ Operations

- Integrate BG with related agency initiatives
- Improve usability of existing products

➤ Research and Outreach

- Leverage existing channels to educate customers
- Evaluate new channels

Future Planning Activities



- Conduct regular Working Group meetings to:
 - Refine the scope of project activities
 - Validate timeframes and cost estimates
 - Collaborate with agency SMEs to accomplish outlined activities

- Meet monthly with the Advisory Group to:
 - Track project milestones/ update AG on project activities
 - Identify risks and solicit guidance on how to mitigate them
 - Solicit additional project direction and input



MOU's

Conclusion



➤ Closing comments