

Marine Data Flow

A proposal for Data Supply Chain Certification

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Exxon Valdez



The safety of oil transportation demands review and overhaul. Not just new technology, but new institutions and new attitudes in old institutions are required.



(Alaska Oil Spill Commission – Final Report "SPILL - The wreck of Exxon Valdez")



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If Aviation would be as Shipping:

1.5 airliner disasters - every single day, or 550 per year

Loss of 82,500 human lives per year

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Technological and human systems aren't perfect: Airliners occasionally do crash. But we have built a system that does not tolerate in air traffic anything like the catastrophic failure rate we can expect in the Valdez tanker trade. Because of that system, air travel can be considered safe and reliable.

Risk cannot be eliminated, but it can be reduced - if we accept the costs involved.



Overview

- About RTCA
- Data Supply Chain Certification (DSCC)
- Marine Data Supply Chain Concepts
- Conclusion
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About RTCA

- Formerly:
 - The Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics
- Today:
 - Focus on operations concepts, requirements and benefits
 - Facilitate operational enhancements



RTCA - Mission

- Develop consensus on
 Communications, Navigation &
 Surveillance /Air Traffic Management
 (CNS/ATM) issues.
- Strive for global interoperability.
- Take an "integrated systems" approach.
- Provide recommendations.

RTCA - Organizational Structure

- Corporate Governance
 - Policy Board, Board of Directors
- Committee Management
 - Program Management Committee
 - Multiple Special Committees
- Members
 - 400 organizations:- 8 governmental, 249 industrial, 124 international, 19 academic



Data Supply Chain Certification

Concepts of certifying the data supply chain



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DSCC - Aspects

- Approval of the methods used to process or manipulate data.
- Minimum standard for all phases of the data process applicable to the processing of maritime data, including quality assurance and quality management.



Certification Levels

- Data quality level
- Data security level
- Supplementary Data level



DSCC - Components

- 1. Accuracy
- 2. Resolution
- 3. Assurance Level
- 4. Traceability
- 5. Timeliness
- 6. Completeness
- 7. Format



DSCC- Advantages

- Provides end user with assurance
- Supports the development of maritime databases.
- Ensures data quality
- Supports the data originator's responsibilities.
- Supports clear liability definition
- Supports open cooperation
- Absorbs inconsistency



DSCC - Risks for not having

- Based on the "equal treatment" principle, HOs may not be biased against resellers with questionable quality system.
- HOs may be exposed to increased liability
- Data could be altered inwardly
- Important data may be omitted in final product
- Updates may not be send to all users
- Datasets may be corrupted
- Media may fail to load

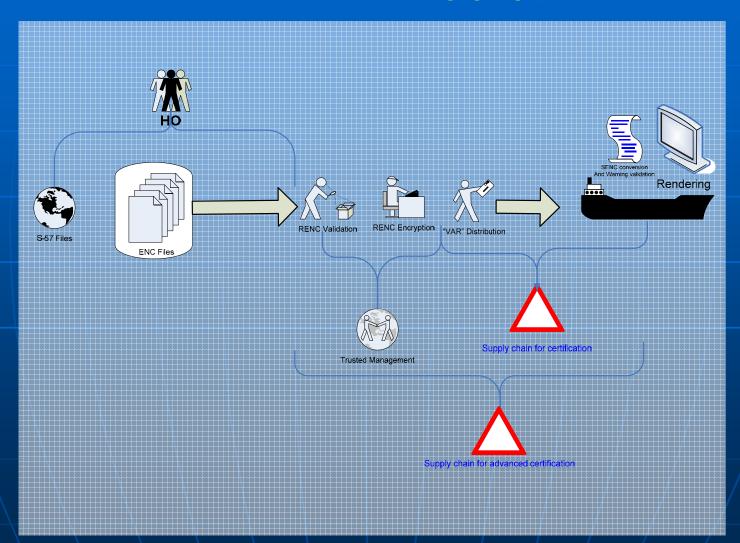


Marine Data Supply Chain Concepts

High level concepts for data delivery

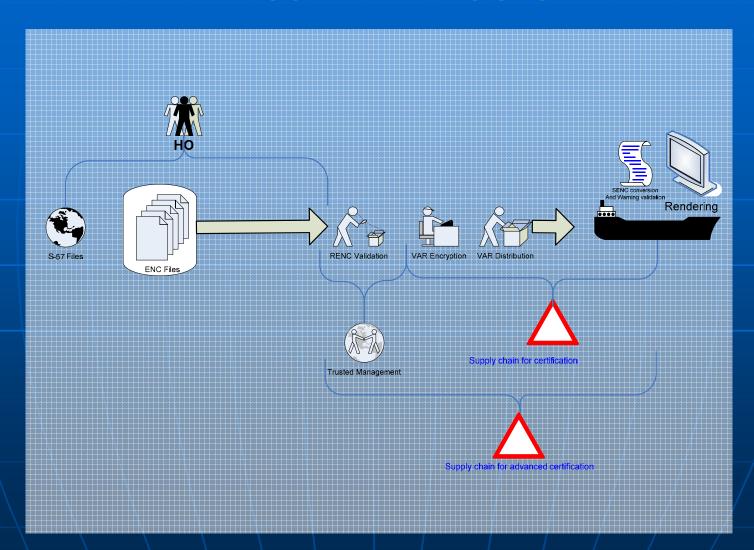


Restricted HO-Supply Chain



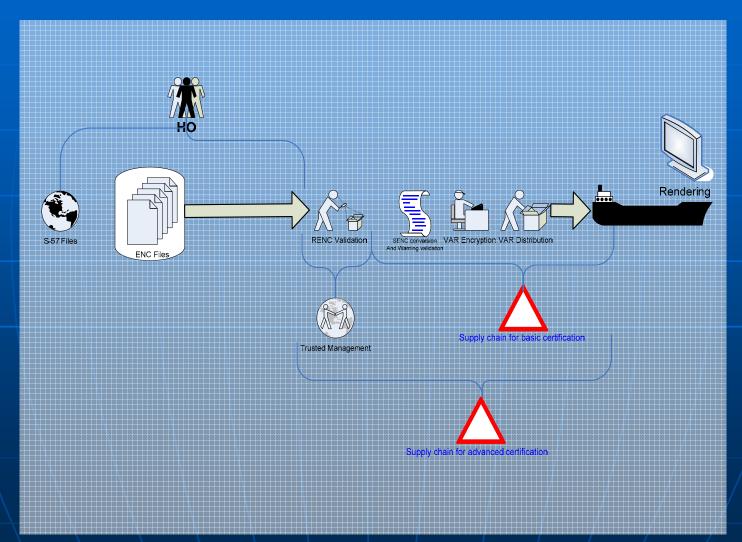


VAR-Encryption Supply Chain



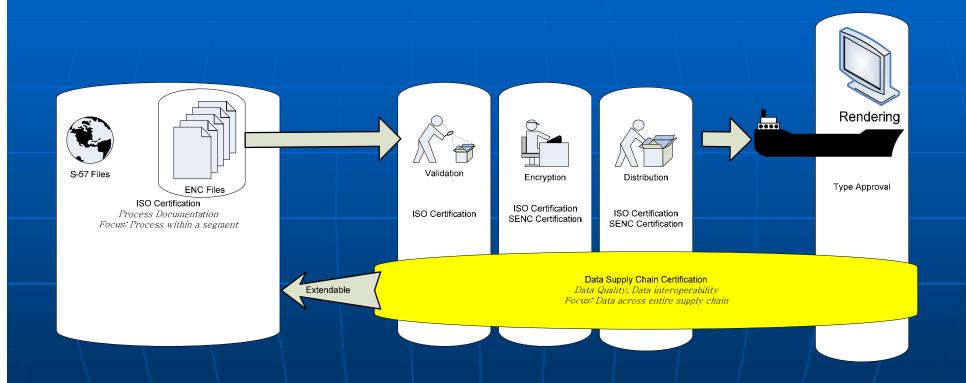


SENC Supply Chain





ISO versus DSCC





Conclusion

- WEND principle is not being questioned rather it is being supplemented.
- Current system has an inherent weakness in that it is based largely on trust.
- Now might be the time to consider adding Data Supply Chain Certification to the well-established standards for electronic navigational data exchange



Proposal - CHRIS is asked to:-

- 1. Note the efforts put forward by RTCA on the "Data Chain Certification" initiative
- 2. Give support for further research on this initiative and extend an invitation to interested Committee members to participate in a inter-sessional Correspondence Group
- 3. Permit the presenter to provide the Committee with progress reports at future meetings



Thank you!



