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Dave Merriam is the vice president of Joint Operations Group for L-3 Communications Integrated Systems, Lexington, Ky. In this roll he is responsible for P&L and all day-to-day operations of the United States Special Operations Command's (USSOCOM) Logistics Center of Excellence.

A native of Elmira, N.Y., Merriam joined the company in 1994 as business development manager for the Operations and Maintenance division of the company. While in this capacity, he designed, developed, managed and transitioned a bare-base and LOGCAP-type logistics support contract for United Nations forces in Haiti.

In the fall of 1995, Merriam assumed responsibilities as proposal manager for the Special Operations Forces Support Activity (SOFSA) contract solicitation and he was successful in submitting the winning proposal for the \$1.12 billion award.

Merriam possesses an extensive and diverse background in resource management, program management, Government-Owned Contractor Operated (GOCO) facility operations, procurement, acquisition and maintenance operations.

Merriam culminated a distinguished 26-year career in the military, retiring from the U.S. Army as a colonel. His final assignment was with the directorate of logistics in USSOCOM where he served as chief of programs and then as deputy director of logistics. He was one of the principal architects of the command's Planning, Programming and Budgeting System (PPBS) and he was a member of the Joint Logistics Board at the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCOS).

Merriam earned a bachelor's in accounting from the University of Tampa and a master's degree in business administration from Syracuse University. His military education includes the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the Army Comptrollership Program and Senior Resource Management Course. In addition, Merriam has extensive formal teaching experience with the University of Maryland in Europe and Korea.