

Deep Archive (NSSDC)

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Requirement



PDS Level 3 requirement 4.1.5:

"PDS will meet U.S. federal regulations for the preservation and management of the data through its Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the National Space Science Data Center (NSSDC)."



Background



- MOU established with NSSDC for long-term preservation
- Data set volumes were mailed to NSSDC in the past using hard media (including tapes, CDs, DVDs), old NSSDC IDs were assigned to them
- New NSSDC tape archive system, was implemented, which enables electronic delivery
- Software was provided by NSSDC to facilitate electronic delivery
- With the new NSSDC system, new NSSDC IDs are created
- Effort initiated in gathering delivery inventory per MC direction
- NSSDC Delivery Working Group (NDWG) was formed to address large scale data delivery
- NSSDC Interface project page can be found at: http://pds-engineering.jpl.nasa.gov/index.cfm?pid=100&cid=105



Delivery Inventory Status



- NSSDC provided a list of PDS data sets in their holding with corresponding new and old NSSDC IDs
- EN generated a list of PDS data sets currently in PDS Catalog with corresponding new and old NSSDC IDs as well as Curating Node
- Two lists were merged and the results were sent to the Nodes for review
- In progress of gathering comments and performing analysis
- Disparities found
 - Missing data sets in NSSDC
 - Data sets that have yet to be delivered to NSSDC
 - Data sets that have been delivered to NSSDC but were not located at NSSDC, require research if they need to be re-delivered
 - Incorrect data set names and IDs in NSSDC
 - Missing data sets in PDS Catalog
 - Data sets found in NSSDC only, require research if they should be ingested into PDS Catalog
 - Incorrect or missing NSSDC IDs in PDS Catalog
 - New NSSDC IDs were not ingested into the PDS Catalog



Electronic Delivery Status



- Linux version of the MPGA (Multi-file Package Generator/Analyzer) software was provided to PDS Nodes to package volumes into AIPs (Archive Info Package) for delivery via FTP
- Upon approval by the MC at the December 07 F2F meeting, the software was made available to ATMOS, IMG, NAIF, PPI, SBN and RINGS
- AIPs are restricted to 300 GBs in size due to NSSDC archival media constraints
- ATMOS and SBN have been making deliveries of data sets < 300
 GBs electronically using this software



Large-scale Data Delivery Status



- NSSDC Delivery Working Group was formed to address large data sets (> 300 GB) delivery to the NSSDC
- Working Group members include D.Crichton, E.Grayzeck,
 S.Hughes, C.Isbell, E.Law, P.McCaslin, and T.Stein
- Produced a white paper which describes proposed processes to submit, retrieve and replace archive volumes
 - Data will be sent via "data brick" to the NSSDC
 - NSSDC will be responsible for transferring the data from the data bricks to their archive system
 - Minimal impact to the nodes
- NSSDC provided software to generate submission manifests that describe what's included in the data brick
- In progress of alpha testing the proposed processes using data sets and volumes from Geosciences and Imaging Nodes



Next Steps



- Work with Nodes and NSSDC to complete delivery inventory (May 2008)
- Complete alpha testing (April 2008)
- Fine tune large data set delivery processes based on alpha test results and finalize the white paper (April 2008)
- Perform beta tests by Nodes (May 2008)
- Present final processes and beta test results to the MC and get approval (June 2008)
- Work with the MC to develop delivery and tracking policy for both small and large data sets delivery (June 2008)
- Work with the Nodes to develop delivery and tracking plans (including PDS Catalog update) (July 2008)