CCDR: The forgotten report:

A *new* day in the life of a Program Finance Analyst

Contracts: "Did you know we have a CDRL due tomorrow?"

Finance: "No. What is the CDRL? Oh wait….stand by I have a call on the other line."

Data Management: "Did you know you have a CDRL due tomorrow?"

Finance: "OMG. You too? Stand by. I have Contracts on the other line. Will call you back."

Finance: "Ok sorry I'm back. So what again is the CDRL that's due tomorrow?"

Contracts: "It's DI-FNCL-82162. Mean anything to you?"

Finance: "Not a thing. Can you tell me the Data Item Description?"

Contracts: "Cost and Hour Report (FlexFile)"

Finance: " What's a Flex File?"

Contracts: "How should I know? Maybe a file that bends but doesn't break?"

Finance: "Funny. Seriously. What is it?"

Contracts: "Remember those CCDR 1921 reports we used to have to submit once or twice a year?"

Finance: "I'd rather not. Took a crew of us weeks to put together not to mention all those rejection letters!"

Contracts: "Well you better. Because this baby is all those….on steroids!" And it's now required in JSON file format. Up to 20 of them all zipped up. And now requires data from both your EVM and Accounting systems by time phased actuals, and transparent mappings and allocations down to the cost collector level by period, by Functional Category, WBS, CLIN, Unit/Sublots, Overheads, by recurring and non-recurring by Orders and End Items, etc. And no reports or validations to review. And don't forget about those 12 possible TAG fields they may want. You get the idea. Oh….and by the way, there's a 1921-Q report also required. Just read the DiD and File Specs I'm sure you can hammer it all out by tomorrow.

Finance: "Whoa! Back up! A dash what? And what's a Jason?"

Contracts: "I don't know that either. An Argonaut maybe?"

Finance: "Stop! Your not funny. This thing is due tomorrow! There's no way! I got to call IT. Bye.

IT: "Yeah, we are somewhat aware of that new CCDR reporting requirement but haven't done it."

Finance: "If I forward the info do you think you can produce these Jason files by tomorrow?"

IT: "Well, we have a 2 month backlog but go ahead and send and we'll take a look and get back to you."

Finance: "Never mind. I'll call my counter part at our Prime and see how they are handling it."

Prime: "Hey there. How's it going? You know you have that CCDR CDRL due tomorrow, right?"

Finance: "Of course. We're working it. Almost done. By the way, just out of curiosity how are you guys pulling that report together?

Prime: "Well, to be honest with you we forgot it was due until yesterday. But we use C*CERT+ and got it all done and validated in less than a day."

Finance: "C*CERT+? What's that?

Prime: "A CCDR software solution by Midnite Dynamics. Make sure you submit to the CADE by tomorrow. Have a great day."