

Jim Batton from the Marine Corps' Product Manager Combat Support Equipment (PdM CSE), provided an overview of the mission area and update on programs he manages for the Shelters' Team. PdM CSE is one of four teams within the Program Manager Combat Support Systems. They are responsible for soft and rigid wall shelters, field heaters, field feeding and medical support equipment. Current



shelter system efforts are focused on enhancing the expandability existing legacy rigid shelter, improving the energy efficiencies of all shelters and advance the Family of Tactical Soft Shelters (FTSS) program. The FTSS will provide protection from natural environments to the Fleet Marine Force for use in varied mission roles (i.e., Command and Control, Administration, Billeting, Supply, Medical, Dental and Messing); and will be compatible with existing Mobile Electric Power, Heating, Vitalization, and Air Conditioning, and camouflage systems. The FTSS will be included in the Unit Table of Equipment Requirement and will replace the Command Post (CP) and General Purpose (GP), Medium tents. The FTSS shall incorporate energy efficiency advancements to the maximum extent possible. The Marine Corps is an agile organization seeking emerging Commercial of the Shelf solutions, opportunities to team with other Services and partner with the JOCOTAS community.