Design Basis Scoping Paper

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Six Phases of a Project

- 1. Enthusiasm
- 2. Disillusionment
- 3. Panic
- 4. Search for the Guilty
- 5. Punishment of the Innocent
- 6. Praise and Honor the Non-Participants

Elements of Project Success

Understand Business Objectives Strategy for Project Goals Risk and Uncertainty



TEAM

Customer Focus Project Team Contractor

PROCESS

Pre-Project Planning Project Execution Plan Controlling Cost/Schedule

Definition

DBSP is a <u>contract</u> between the <u>signatories</u> to <u>further</u> develop the <u>proposed project</u> in a manner that will <u>ensure</u> that the project's stated <u>Business Objective</u> is <u>achieved</u> in a <u>cost effective</u> manner.

Purpose

The purpose of the DBSP is to:

- Define the main elements of the project scope of work (What will be built)
- Define the limits of the project scope of work
- Provide the design contractor definitive information to independently develop the project scope
- Provide the Construction Agency the information to effectively plan and execute the project
- Provide a cost estimate (+/-40%) for budgeting purposes

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Involved Organizations

Planning Organization
Proponent or End User
Construction Agency
Environmental Protection Organization
Estimating

Planning Organization

- Leads the DBSP preparation effort
- Clarifies the definition of the project's Business Case
- Insures adequate justification for scope elements
- Describes in broad terms the facilities to be provided
- Controls scope
- Describes specific studies to be preformed during Preliminary Design
- Issues DBSP for review and approval

Proponent

Provides supporting information
 Reviews scope elements
 Provides support to establish interface points
 Signs DBSP for endorsing project scope

Construction Agency

Reviews schedule
Reviews scope elements
Reviews constructability
Reviews study requirements
Signs DBSP for schedule considerations

Environmental Protection Organization

Reviews project's environmental implications

Signs DBSP for environmental considerations

Estimating

Prepares budgetary cost estimate
 Estimate Accuracy is +/- 40%

DBSP Content

Purpose of Facilities Present Situation Location Analysis Interfaces Design Objectives General Project Design Basis DBSP Content (cont'd)
 Description of Proposed Facilities

 Type of facility
 Corresponding technical design basis
 Specific facility attributes

DBSP Content (cont'd)

- Scope Evaluation to Date
- Additional Study Requirements during Preliminary Design
- Constructability and Logistical Assessment
- As-Built Drawing Assessment
- Value Engineering Study
- Project Schedule

Appendices

What to Include in DBSP

What's IN?

Preliminary description of facility to be provided

- Evaluation of existing conditions
- ✓ Results of previous studies
- Scope of Work of Project organized by discipline
- Limits of scope of work for the Design Engineer
- ✓ Design bases
- ✓Utility sources and interface points
- ✓Conceptual layout of equipment
- ✓ Schematics and Process Flow Diagrams
- ✓List of major equipment

What NOT to include in the DBSP

What's OUT?

- **Exact size of equipment**
- **X** Type of valves, flow meters, levels, etc.
- Name of manufacturer
- **Final layout, Sections, P&ID, etc.**
- Detailed design calculations
- Detailed specifications
- Project cost

Example 1

Building

- Location
- Site conditions
- Type of construction
- Built-up Area
- Number of persons
- Sizing criteria
- Preliminary layout
- Utility requirements



Example 2

Sewage Treatment Plant

- Location
- Capacity
- Level of Treatment
- Treatment Process
- Treatment Facilities
- Design Criteria
- Electrical and Instrumentation
- Process Flow Diagram
- Conceptual Layout



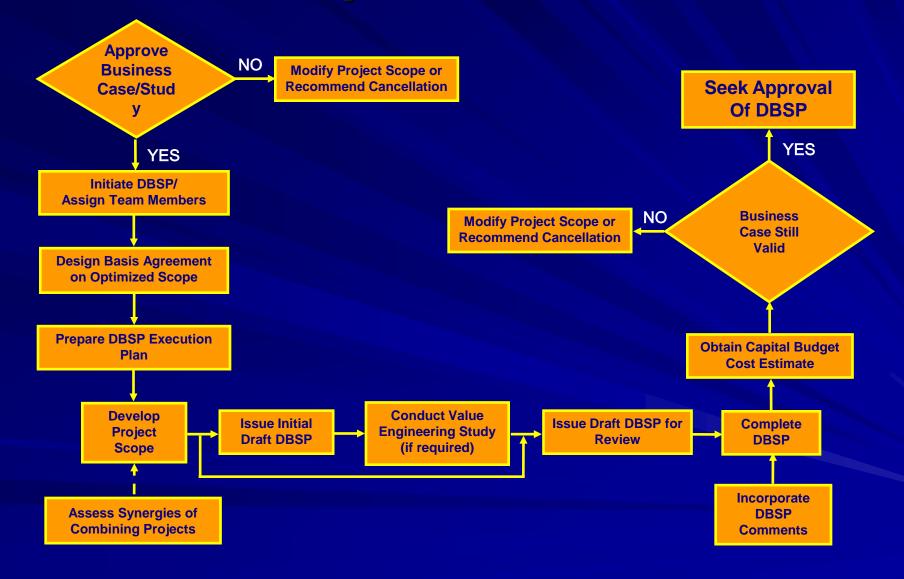
Example 3

Water Supply Network

- Location
- Number of persons
- Water requirement
- Piping material
- Preliminary pipe sizing
- Preliminary layout
- Pumping and storage facilities



Development Process



Conclusions

- DBSP is a critical document in every project cycle
- DBSP requires proper and timely input from involved organizations
- A GOOD DBSP will put the project on track (scope, cost and schedule), and prevent future issues and conflicts
- A POOR DBSP will hinder the project design and execution phases, and negatively impact the project cost and schedule

