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Mr. William Ruta is the Project Director for the Close Combat Weapon Systems (CCWS). The CCWS Project Office has overall management responsibility for all close combat weapon systems which includes executing the mission for the following programs: Tube-Launched Optically-Tracked Wire-Guided (TOW) Missile, Improved Target Acquisition System, Javelin Missile System, and Lethal Miniature Aerial Munition System. Mr. Ruta is responsible for management of approximately \$500 million dollars annually for Army and USMC customers and leads a staff of approximately 200 military and civilian employees.

Prior to the CCWS Project Director position, Mr. Ruta was a fellow within the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Senior Service College Fellowship program focusing on “Leadership”. Prior to the fellowship, Mr. Ruta was the Deputy Project Manager for Joint Attack Munition Systems (JAMS). The JAMS Project Office has overall management responsibility for all Army Air to Ground Missiles and Rockets which includes executing the mission for the following programs: Hellfire/Longbow Missile Program, Hydra 2.75 rockets, Viper Strike, Joint Air to Ground Missile, rotary aviation launchers and support equipment. Mr. Ruta has also served as the Deputy Project Manager for Joint Common Missile which was an ACAT-1D cooperative program with the United Kingdom. Other previous assignments include: Assistant Project Manager (APM) for Program Integration, Army TACMS-BAT Project Office; Acting APM for the Brilliant Anti-Armor (BAT) Submunition and System Integrator for the BAT within the Army TACMS-BAT Project Office. Mr. Ruta has also held engineering positions supporting the Chaparral and FAADs C2I Projects.

Mr. Ruta has over 25 years of professional experience in all aspects of Engineering and Program Management supporting Department of Defense Programs. During his career, he has served in a number of critical roles and successfully lead milestone teams through both a milestone B and milestone C for two separate ACAT-1D programs. Mr. Ruta is a Certified Acquisition Professional, Level III certified in Program Management and Systems Planning, Research, Development, and Engineering. Mr. Ruta is also a member of the Army Acquisition Corps.

Mr. Ruta received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in 1985 and a Master of Science in Systems Engineering from the University of Alabama at Huntsville in 2001. He is a graduate of the DAU Program Manager’s Course and a graduate of the School of Engineering and Logistics, Red River Army Depot.

He and his wife Annette reside in Madison, Alabama. They have two children, Lauren and Zachary.