

SKIRE UNIFIER™ RapidStart STARR™ Program

Skire Transparency, Accountability, Recovery and Reinvestment Initiative: Rapid Deployment of Public Sector CIP Funding, Capital Project and Program Management Processes Based on Industry Best Practices

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (“ARRA”) guidance requires agencies to demonstrate an unprecedented level of control and transparency in capital project and program execution. Skire’s flagship software platform, Unifier™, is a proven, battle-tested application delivering project accountability, transparency and reporting across the lifecycle. Unifier provides comprehensive funding management tools combined with a best-in-class capital project and program management solution, providing managers with the tools to execute projects efficiently and executives the program level visibility and automated reporting. Skire’s RapidStart STARR program combines an extensive set of pre-defined business processes with a streamlined implementation methodology to get you up and running quickly to meet ARRA requirements with an end-to-end Unifier solution.

Benefits

- Fully integrated solution and fast deployment
- Preconfigured ARRA processes based on OMB guidance
- Built on the renowned Unifier platform

PRECONFIGURED ARRA PROCESSES

RapidStart STARR delivers preconfigured processes to support the reporting requirements outlined in guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget. Each process contains a form for data entry consisting of the fields and formatting defined by OMB.

FORMULA BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATIONS

Agencies are asked to provide Formula Block Grant Allocation information as soon as it becomes available.

MAJOR COMMUNICATIONS

Agencies are asked to send major announcements for potential use on recovery.gov.

WEEKLY UPDATE REPORTS

Agencies are required to submit a weekly update report on a cumulative, year-to-date basis for recovery.gov.

RAPIDSTART STARR SCOPE

FUNCTIONS AND PROCESSES

GENERAL

- Vendor Management
- Project Information
- Summary Dashboards
- Alert Notifications
- Task Management
- uMail™

ARRA SPECIFIC PROCESSES

- Major Communications
- Formula Block Grant Allocations
- Weekly Update Reports

FUNDING MANAGEMENT

- Company Funding Sheet
- Project Funding Sheet
- Fund Allocations

BUDGET AND COST MANAGEMENT

- Budget Changes
- Budget Line Transfers
- Risk Items and Trends
- Purchase Orders
- PO Amendments
- Invoices
- Contracts
- Contract Change Orders
- Payment Applications
- Project Cost Sheet
- Cash Flow (integrated with Schedule Manager)

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- Action Items
- Correspondence
- Daily Reports
- Design Reviews
- Meeting Minutes
- Monthly Updates
- RFIs
- Submittals
- Transmittals

SCHEDULE MANAGEMENT

- Predefined activity metadata
- Drives Cash Flow Calculations
- Compatible with Microsoft® Project for import

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

- Full access to Unifier DM
- View, Redline, Markup
- Check-in/Check-out
- Version Control
- Xref Management
- Predefined document metadata

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

- Program Cost Sheet by Project
- Program Cash Flow
- Program Schedule
- Summary Dashboard
- Program Cost Summary Report

IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES AND SCHEDULE

RapidStart STARR is based on a 10 working day implementation schedule. Skire-provided services include:

- Project management
- Kickoff, documentation, and questionnaire review
- Configuration and setup of RapidStart STARR environment
- Go-live assistance
- Training based on either Skire-delivered or Train-the-Trainer