Life Cycle Industry Days "Accelerating Change to Empower the Warfighter" Propulsion Directorate Review

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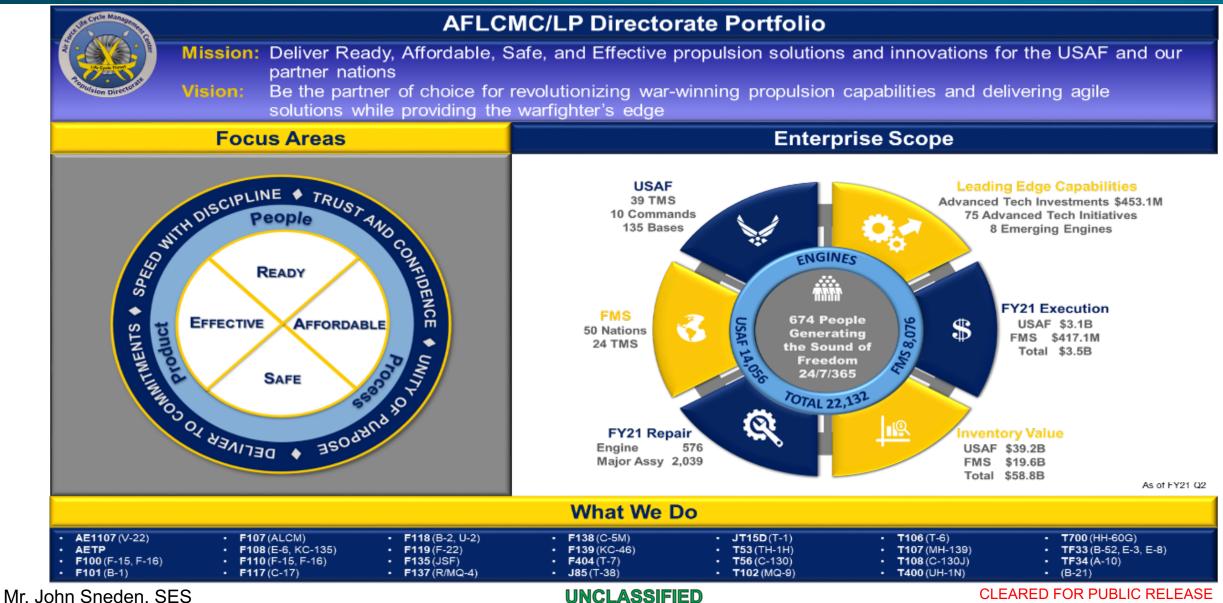
Overview

- Propulsion Portfolio
- Propulsion Mission and Focus Areas
- Propulsion Challenges
- Propulsion Opportunities
- Propulsion Alliances
- Summary



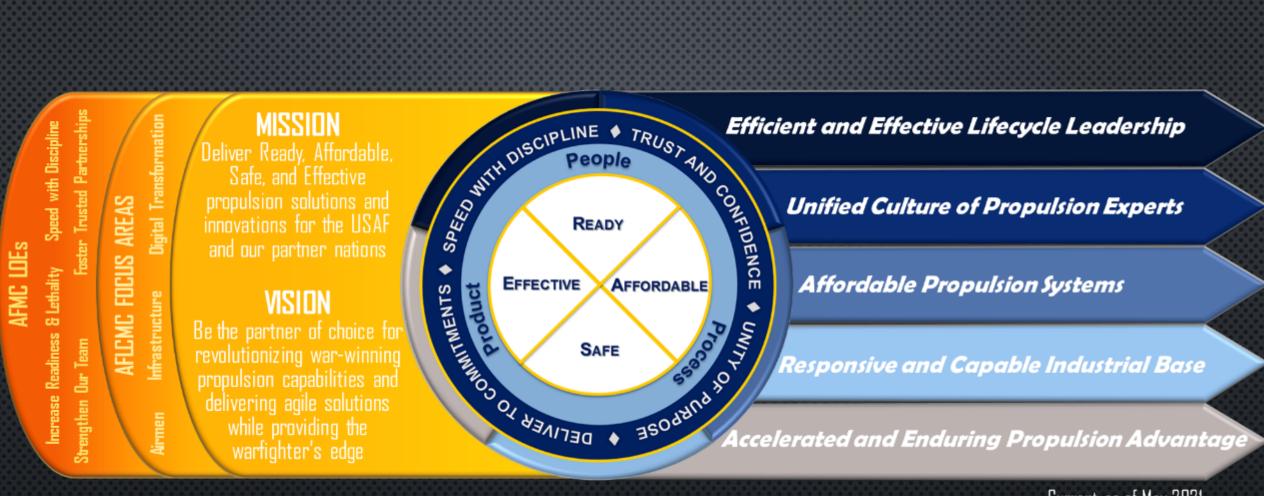
Propulsion Portfolio





Propulsion Mission and Focus Areas



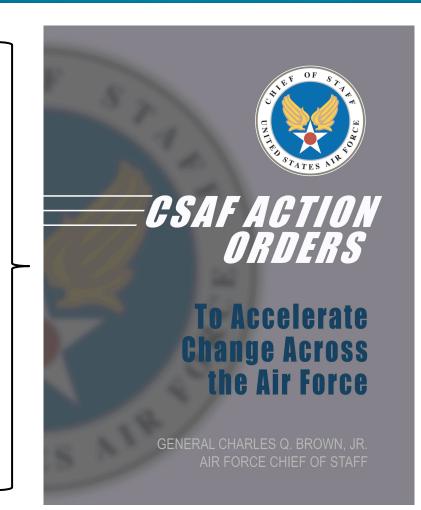


Current as of May 2021

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"Good enough today will cause us to fail tomorrow."

"Acceleration requires harnessing energy and focusing it in a purposeful direction."



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Accelerate Change or Lose

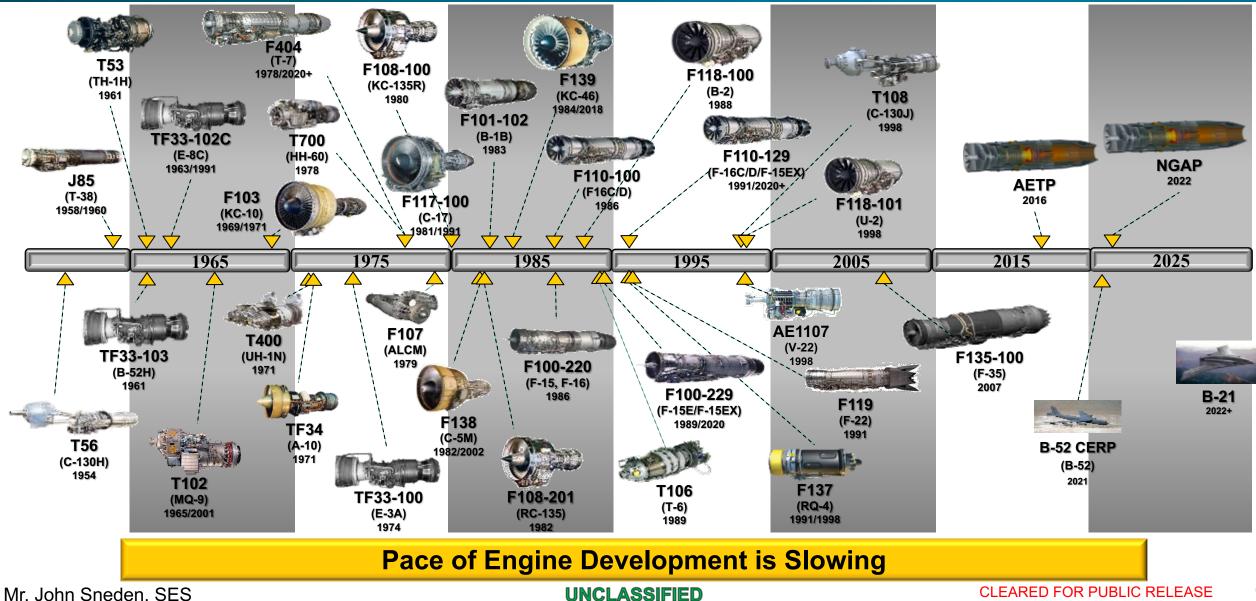
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Propulsion Challenges – Developmental Decline





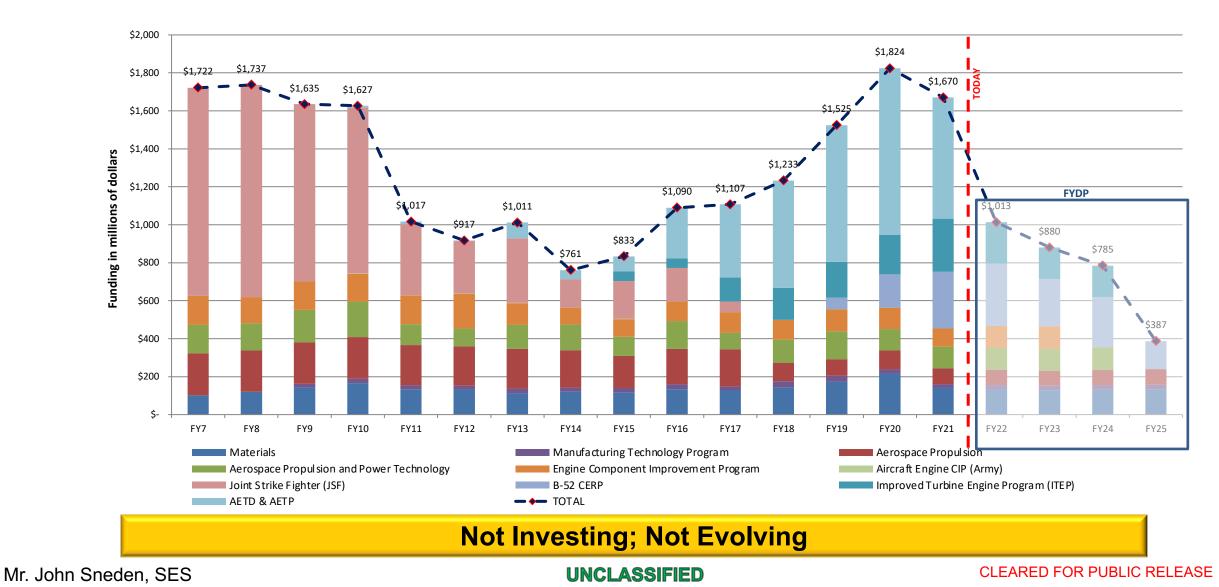


Propulsion Investment Decline



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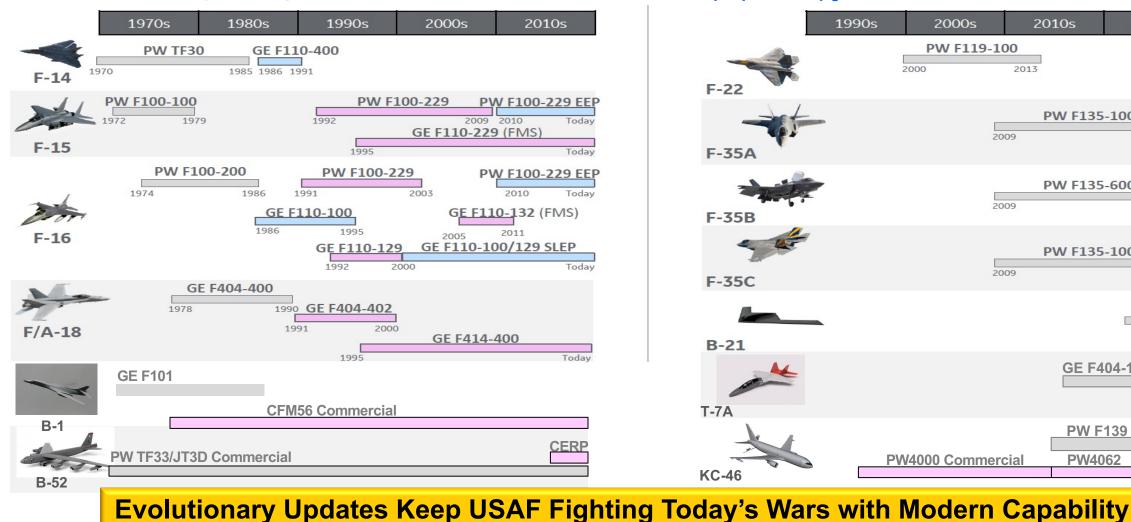
*Source: Research Development, Test & Evaluation Programs (R-2) & Defense Innovation Marketplace



Generational Upgrade Strategy Shift?



Legacy Combat Aircraft Multiple Propulsion System Upgrades and Competitive Industrial Base



Recent Combat Aircraft No propulsion upgrades, Sole-Source, Commercial Dependence

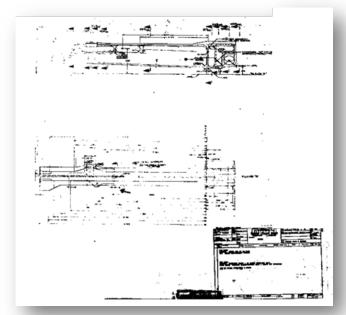


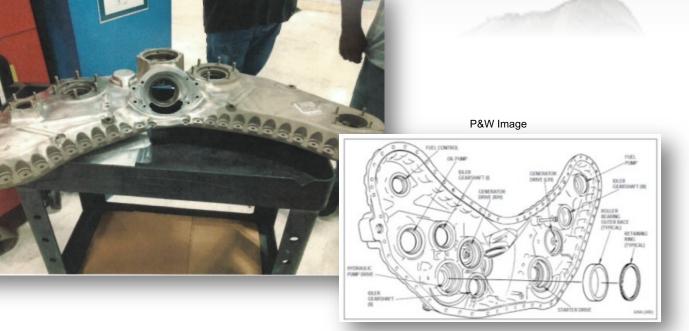
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Industrial Base Limitations

- Extensive development time losing the competitive edge
- Limited manufacturing sources and capacity constraints
- Extended service life causing DMSMS issues
- Intellectual property limitations









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Areas We Need Help



Digital Transformation

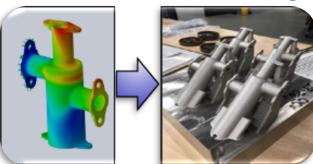


Small Engines



Advanced Manufacturing







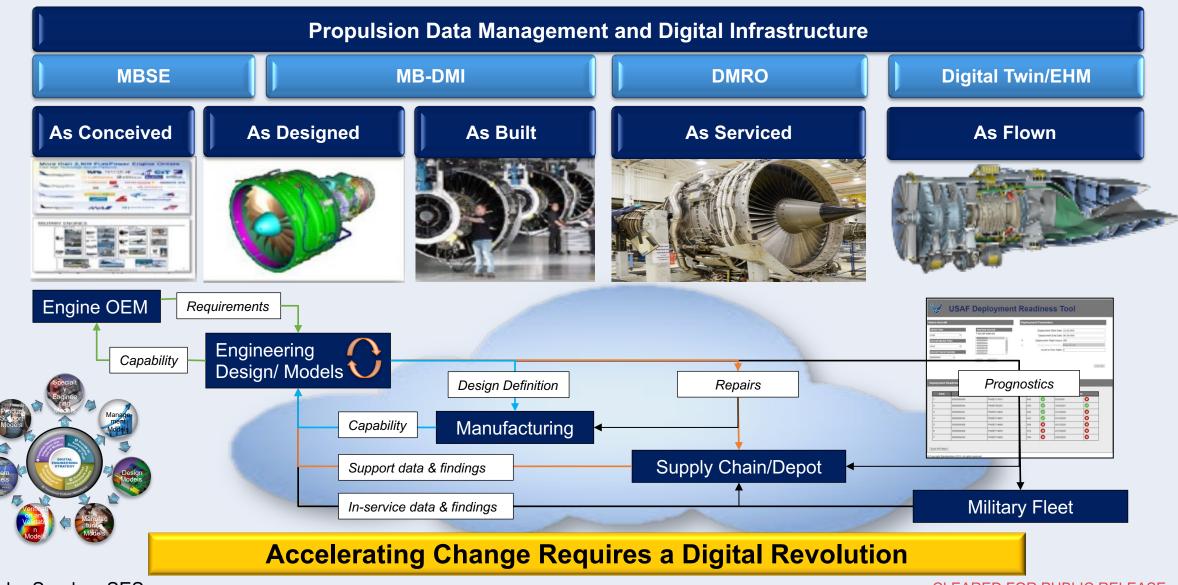
Need Industrial Base Expertise to Accelerate Change and Innovation

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Propulsion Opportunities – Digital Transformation

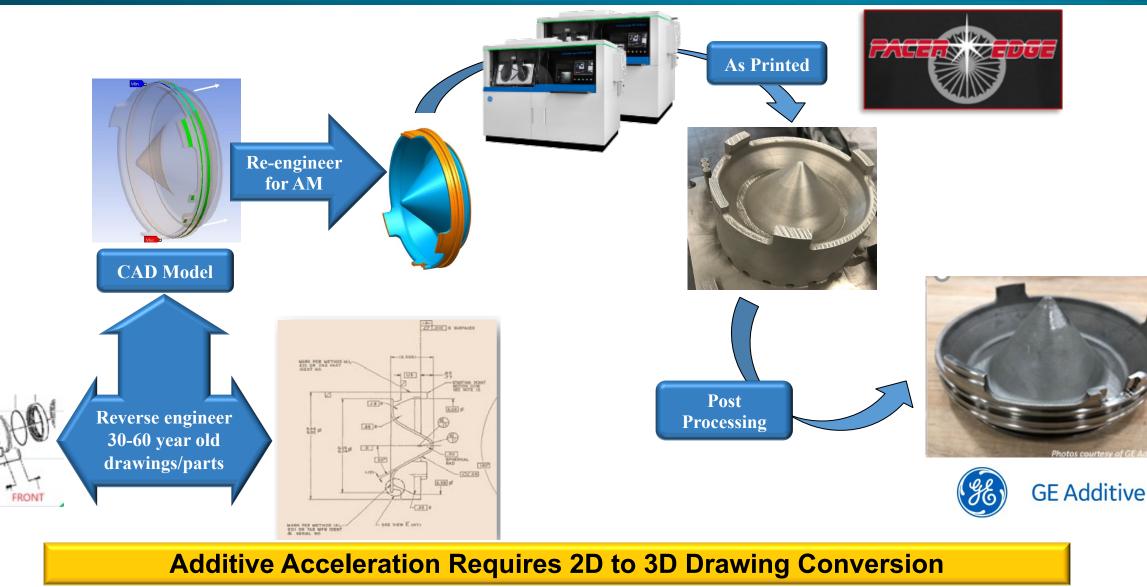




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Propulsion Opportunities – Advanced Manufacturing for Production



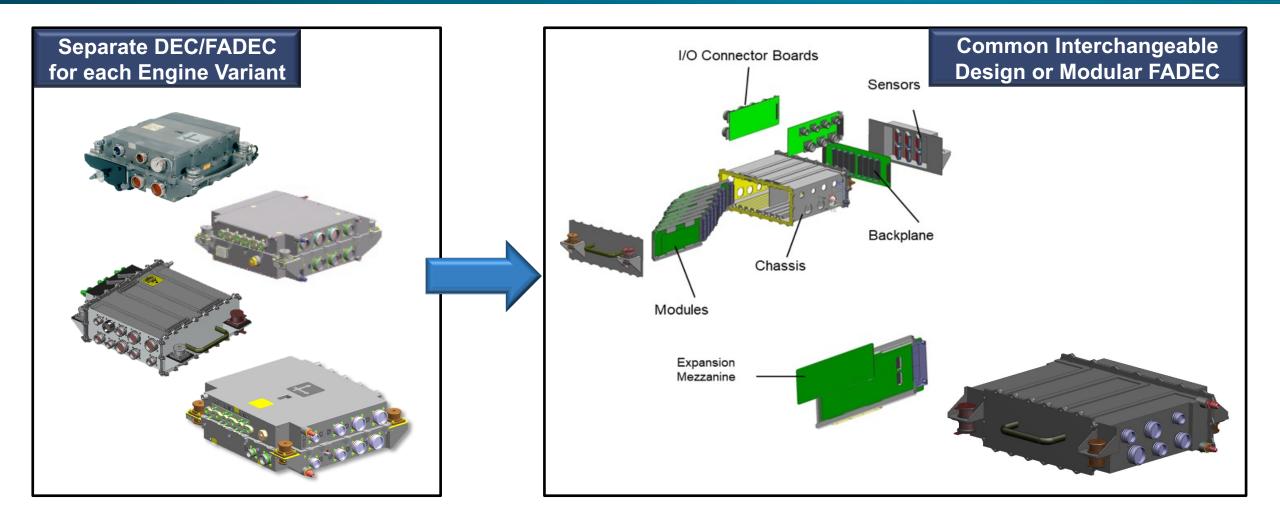


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Propulsion Challenges – Digital Engine Controls (DEC/FADEC)



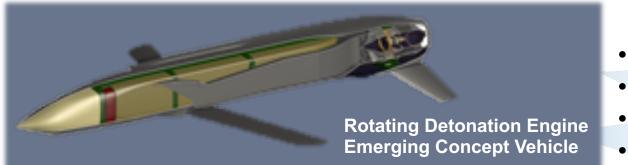
Common Design Drives Cost and Readiness Improvements

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Propulsion Opportunities – Small Engines





New Propulsion Paradigm

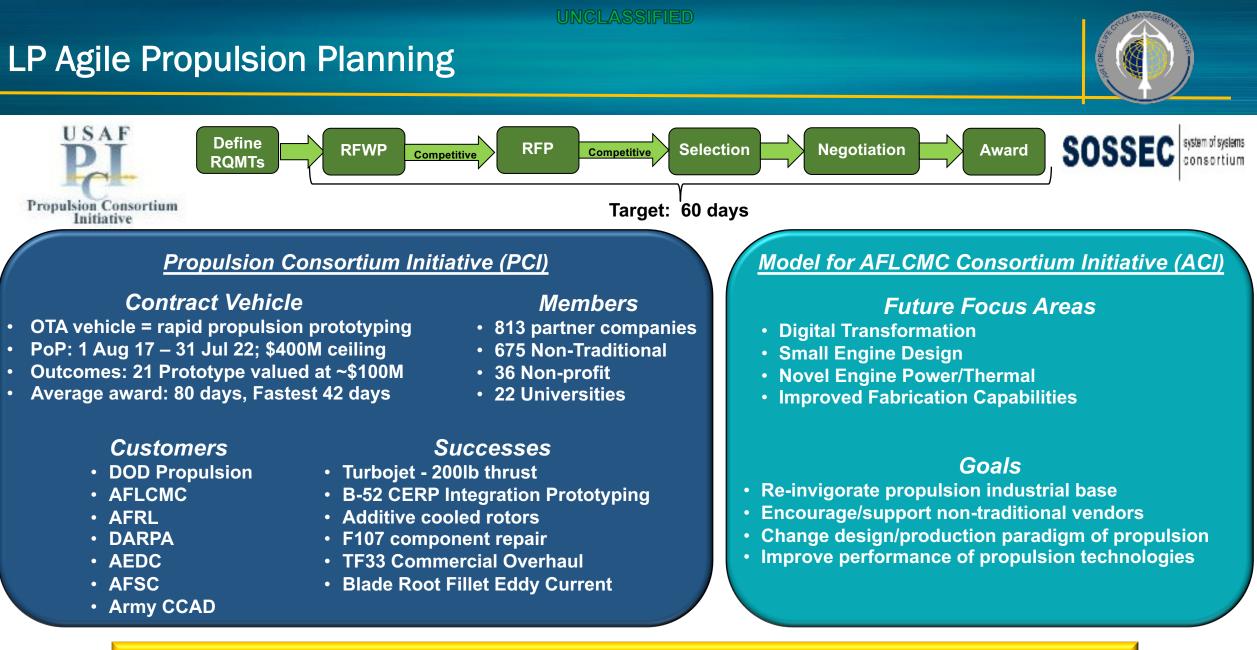
- Born Digital
- Rapid Prototyping
- Innovative/Non-Standard Designs
- Attritable Design to Usage, not Long Life



Growth Market – Need Digital Infrastructure for Rapid Development/Production

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Propulsion Consortium Initiative Pt II In Work

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- Our alliances provide rapid, agile and innovative solutions ensure our Air Force Propulsion is *Ready*, *Affordable*, *Safe* and *Effective*
- We need industry help to accelerate change or we will lose
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