



## *USTRANSCOM Science and Technology*

### **Expeditionary Theater Distribution (ETD)**

**Project Summary:** Next-generation Portable Deployment Kit (PDK) capability with improved security, communications, and miniaturization. The effort provides next generation capability for quick deployment of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology in austere/mobile environments that will improve the capabilities to forecast, schedule, and document onward movement of passengers or cargo because of in-transit visibility (ITV) using automatic identification technology (AIT) from the port of debarkation (POD) forward to the war fighter.



**Return on Investment:** Through enhanced visibility at the most forward distribution node or point of effect, Commanders in the field will significantly improve their capability by real time information on inbound and on-hand forces and equipment. A more streamlined, capable system able to handle all weather conditions and environments will dramatically enhance units' ability to document the reception and any required onward movement.

**Duration of project:** FY09-FY10

**Participants:** United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), United States Army

**Project advocacy (funding or otherwise):** USTRANSCOM

**Transition:** Theater Distribution Management Program

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