Program Modernization through Electronic Submittal

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Why eUST?







The Design Phase

- Create a Business Requirements Document (BRD)
 - Step by step, detailed instruction of our processes
 - Tool for programmers to use when building the database
 - Took approximately 3 months to write
- Multiple brainstorming meetings to discuss converting current system to an enhanced system
 - Wanted the new system to do everything the old system did, only better





The Build Phase

Building the database was split into 2 Phases:

Phase I – Electronic filing of Reimbursement Claims, Applications for Eligibility and Certificates of Compliance

Phase II – Integrating and enhancing DOR's administrative capabilities





Discussion and QA

- Key questions:
 - What is working/not working?
 - How will the public use it?
 - How will the owner be involved?
 - What would different users want to see enhanced?
- Parties involved included :
 - IT and Internal Staff with a vested interest in the new database
 - A select group of outside users





The Cost

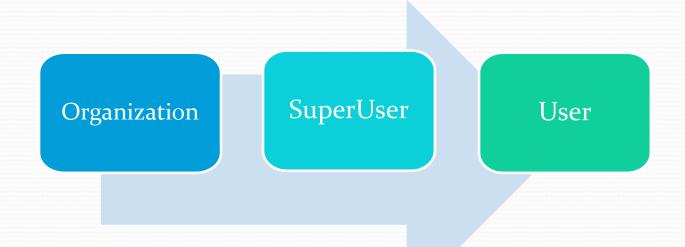
- Overall cost of development?
 - Approximately \$1.5 million
- IT maintenance costs (servers, salaries and licensing)?
 - \$125,000/year
- Increased user friendliness, better relationship with regulated community, lower administrative costs, increased accuracy?
 - Priceless





User Registration

Each organization designates one or more users within their organization as "SuperUsers"







eUST - RIGHTS & ROLES Putting it Together

User Rights

- Admin
- View
- Prepare
- Sign/Certify
- Submit

User Role

Customer Identification

Please select the Choice that applies to you:

- O I am the owner of the Facility and I am preparing this Claim on behalf of myself
- I am Not the owner of the Facility and I am preparing this Claim on behalf of myself
- O I am preparing this Claim on behalf of the Claimant and the Claimant is the Owner
- I am preparing this Claim on behalf of the Claimant and the Claimant is Not the Owner
- I am Authorized Rep able to sign for the Owner
- I am Authorized Rep able to sign for the Claimant



Step 2: Certify/Sign the Application

<u>Step 3:</u> <u>Submit the</u> Application





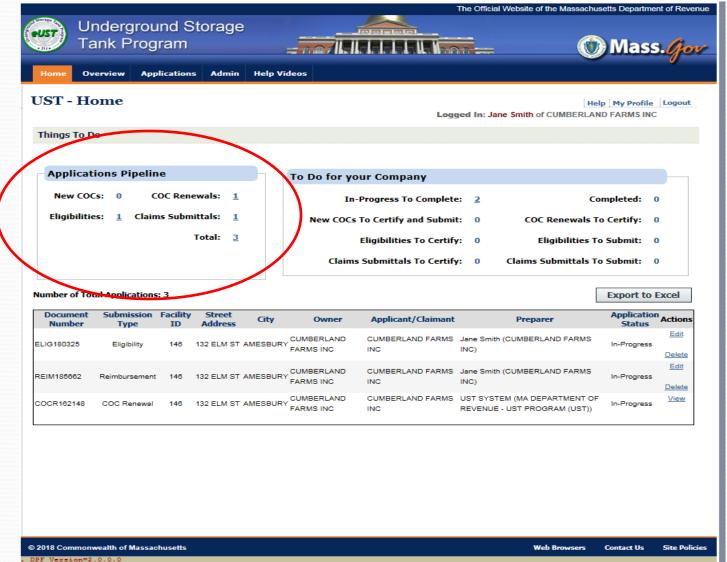
What can the regulated community do now that could not be done before?

- File/View multiple types of applications (past and present)
- Real-time tracking of applications
- Owners and Applicants can use eUST as a management tool
- Users upload costs requested for reimbursement directly to application





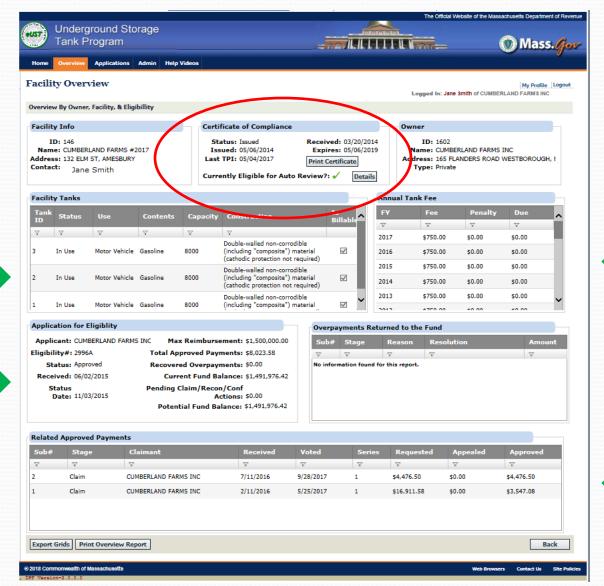
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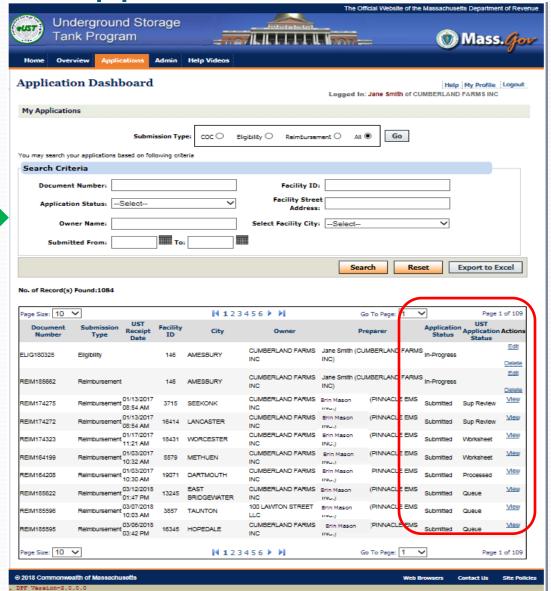
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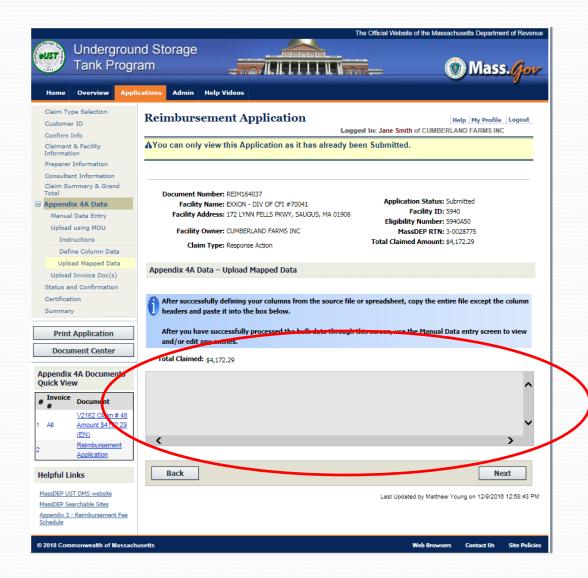
Application Dashboard







Upload Costs Requested







What can DOR do now that could not be done before?

- View/Process multiple types of applications (past and present)
- More reporting capabilities with less people involved
- Easy access to electronic documents (with an option to make documents public or keep them private)
- Make enhancements and fix bugs in a timely manner due to dedicated IT person





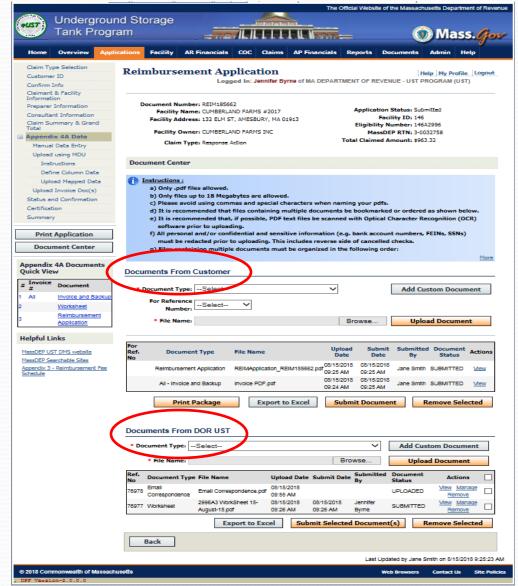
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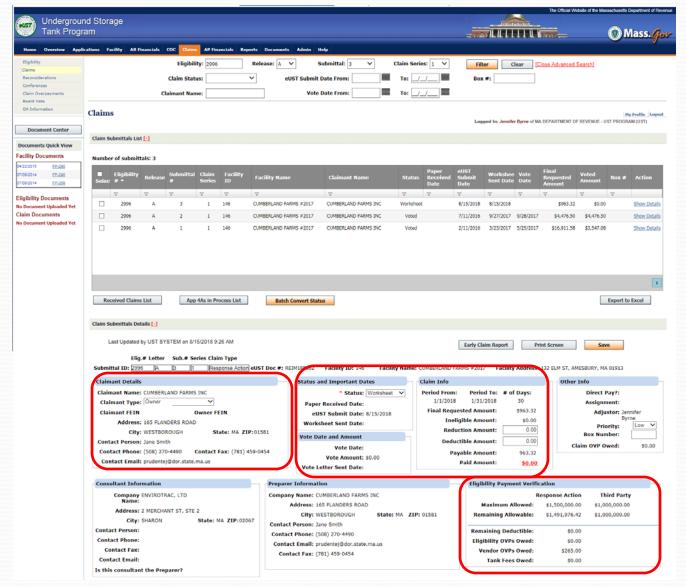
Document Center







DOR Claim Management







Drawbacks and Lessons Learned

- Reduced production time during QA testing and learning curve
- Technology has not kept pace with demands we are putting on the system
- All users are at a standstill when the system goes down
- Inter-Agency Service Agreement with another State Agency
- Data migration
- Double check your data



Looking toward the Future

What can eUST do for you?

- Always looking for ways to enhance and refine the program
- Anyone who uses the system has the opportunity to add their insight – engages staff at all levels





Thank you!

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