Bob F. Thoens Product Lead Large Power Systems



Bob Thoens is a Department of the Army Civilian assigned as the Product Lead, Large Power Systems. He is responsible for the acquisition, development, test and evaluation, and fielding of DoD's family of Large Power Generation Systems to include: the 100 and 200kW Tactical Quiet Generators; the Prime Power 800kW Deployable Power Generation & Distribution System; and the emerging 500kW Large Tactical Power System (LTPS). Mr. Thoens is DAWIA Level III certified in both Program Management and Test and Evaluation and a graduate of the Advanced Program Management Course.

Bob retired from the Active Duty Air Force in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 2010 after serving 21 years in the Air Force Acquisition Corps. Lt Col (Ret) Thoens earned his commission from the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at Stevens Institute of Technology as a Distinguished Graduate in 1989. He has served in various developmental engineering, flight test and program management positions at Air Force Research Laboratory, 4950th Test Wing, 418th Flight Test Squadron (FLTS), 339th FLTS, White House Communications Agency and DoD Project Manager Mobile Electric Power.

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