SCRA-LED PDES, INC. CONSORTIUM HONORS LOCKHEED MARTIN AERONAUTICS' JEFF HOLMLUND

CHARLESTON, SC – November 5, 2012 – <u>SCRA</u> today announced that Jeff Holmlund was recently awarded the Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award for his outstanding support of its *PDES, Inc.* program. Holmlund is the Enterprise CAD/CAM Operations & Support Lead at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics in Fort Worth, Texas. He is a member of the **LO**ng Term **A**rchiving and **R**etrieval (LOTAR) and the **C**ustomer **S**upplier Interoperability (CSI) programs for *PDES, Inc.*

Holmlund was awarded the honor for his active participation and oversight, subject matter expertise, working engineer perspective and his ability to get others actively involved and engaged. Acting as Interim Program Manager of LOTAR demonstrates his dedication to the *PDES, Inc.* program and its mission to accelerate the development and implementation of standards which enable integration, product lifecycle management and interoperability for its member companies.

"We congratulate Mr. Holmlund for this much deserved recognition," said SCRA CEO Bill Mahoney. "SCRA has had the honor of leading the *PDES*, *Inc.* consortium for nearly 25 years. It is through the individual efforts and talents of this consortium's membership and leadership that international standards have improved interoperability and manufacturing efficiencies for clients and industries across the globe."

"Jeff is one of the key contributors to the LOTAR project and his motivation, enthusiasm and positive attitude have set an example for the entire *PDES*, *Inc*. team," said Dr. Michael R. Jahadi, President and Chairman of the *PDES*, *Inc*. board. "In addition, he is the first to receive the honor for a second time".

The Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award was established in honor of Brad Rigdon, former President and Chairman of the *PDES*, *Inc*. Executive Board. Since 1996, the Annual Rigdon Award honors a *PDES*, *Inc*. technical team leader who has exhibited outstanding technical management or contributed significantly to a *PDES*, *Inc*. project.

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SCRA is an applied research corporation with over 30 years of experience delivering technology solutions with high returns on investment to federal and corporate clients. To fulfill our mission, SCRA has three sectors: Our Technology Ventures sector helps early-stage companies to commercialize innovations and create jobs, our Applied R&D sector manages over 100 national and international programs worth over \$1.5 billion in contract value and our R&D Facilities sector builds and manages research facilities that include wet labs, secure rooms for sensitive work and high-tech, advanced manufacturing shops. Multiple economic output studies show SCRA's cumulative impact on South Carolina's economy to be

over \$14 billion, and that the company has helped create approximately 15,000 technology-related jobs in SC, with wages averaging between \$55,000 and \$77,000.

About PDES, Inc.

PDES, Inc. is an international consortium, managed by SCRA Applied R&D, which promotes the digital enterprise through the development and implementation of model-based standards. The consortium is made up of members from global industry, government and academia that commit resource hours to projects of interest to the member organizations. Projects include Model Based Engineering, Model Based Manufacturing, Model Based Sustainment (via LOTAR), Data Exchange Testing, and Information Standards. The members gain hands-on experience in using the standards and implementing them within their organization and also have access to product testing, standards experts, standards tools, and vendor products. SCRA has served as the host contractor for *PDES, Inc.* since its inception in 1988.