

Documentation Plan

Productivity for the writer/editor

2016 Plan

Documentation Tools Migration

- ❑ Ease engineering workload
- ❑ Save time in documentation
- ❑ Flexibility to create new templates and formats as needed

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Evaluate Documentation Tools per Industry Standard Solutions

- ❑ Compare features

Potential Benefits

- ❑ Ease engineering workload
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- ❑ Easier to create new templates and formats as needed

Documentation Tools – Compare Features

	RTD A	MS Word	Adobe ⁱ FrameMaker, RoboHelp	Madcap ⁱⁱ Flare, Contributor
Single Source	x		x	x
Output PDF	x	x	x	x
Output HTML	x		x	x
Import HTML	x			x
Generate online help	x		x	x
Easily create new templates		x	x	x
Conditional text (improves single source)			x	x
WYSIWYG editor & spell checker		x	x	x

i: Technical Communication Suite package – FrameMaker for manuals; RoboHelp for online help

ii: Fully integrated package, seamless

Migration Plan

Q1-2: Evaluation

- ❑ Select the template
- ❑ Modify the template as needed
- ❑ Determine if separate version control is needed (Roman, Brian/RD)
- ❑ Migrate a selected HTML book (NC User)
- ❑ Define requirements to integrate documentation tool with RTDA (Brian/RD)

Q2-3: Migration

- ❑ Fine-tune RTDA integration (Brian/Rd)
- ❑ Migrate HTML books
- ❑ Receive new information via text files, redlines, email, possible use of Madcap Contributor

Summary

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- Evaluate and select documentation tool
- Test run
- Migrate all documents

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Documentation Tool Licenses

	Madcap Flare ⁱ		Madcap Contributor		Windows 7, VMWare Fusion		Adobe ⁱⁱ FrameMaker		Adobe ⁱⁱⁱ Comm. Suite	
	Year 1	renew	Year 1	renew	Year 1	renew	Year 1	renew	Year 1	renew
Individual, limited support	785	440	190	97	220	N / A	999	399	1699	699
Individual, unlimited support	1225	835	295	196	N / A		N / A		N / A	
Floating, limited support ^{iv}	N / A		N / A				N / A			
Floating, unlimited support	2205	1025	538	225			N / A		N / A	

i: Madcap pricing: <https://www.componentsource.com/product/>

ii: FrameMaker only supports manuals and similar documents

iii: Communication Suite includes FrameMaker and RoboHelp (online help)

Madcap vs. Adobe

Madcap

- ❑ Seamless: tools to generate manuals and online help are fully integrated
- ❑ Technical support options: basic and full support
- ❑ License selection: Flare, Contributor: seated or floating

Recommended RTDA configuration:

1 Flare seated, full support	\$1,225
1 Flare floating, full support	\$2,205
1 Contributor floating, full support	\$538
Total:	\$3,968

Adobe

- ❑ Technical Communication Suite: FrameMaker and RoboHelp
- ❑ Technical support options: online support only (basic)
- ❑ License selection: seated only

3 Technical Communication Suite, seated; install 3 on machines for remote access:	\$5,097
Total:	\$5,097