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# Center for Systems Integration Electronics Development Team Overview

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## **Electronics Development Team Overview (The BLUF)**





#### 18 Employees on Staff

- Fourteen engineers and engineering technicians with backgrounds in electrical and computer engineering
- Three engineering and engineering tech contractors
- One engineering planner







## Cable Design and Assembly

- Design, build or build-to-print, and testing of cables and wire harnesses for vehicle data and power distribution systems.
- Support prototype and LRIP quantities.

#### PCB Design and Fabrication

- Design and manufacture prototype printed circuit boards (PCBs) for user-defined applications.
- Support prototype and LRIP quantities.

#### Engineering Services

 Provide engineering services or "matrix"-like support for a variety of engineering tasks from design to onsite field-support.

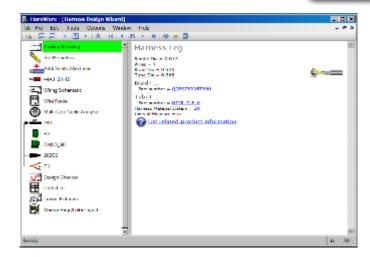
## **Cable Design and Build Services**



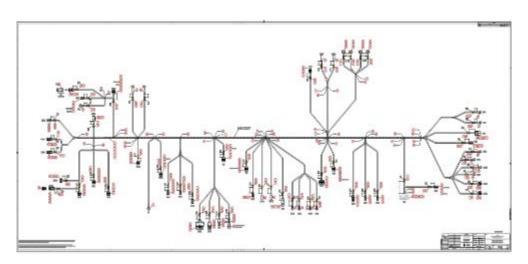


## Cable Design Engineering

- EDT possesses design expertise in automotive and ruggedized military-style cable assemblies
- Ability to handle prototypes through production releases
- Ability to handle cable sophistication ranging from simple to complex
- Ability to work designs from scratch, creating drawings from napkin sketches and reverse engineering
- Develop "common parts list" that can be tailored to project requirements
- Review and critique contractor-created drawings or support with general PM design questions







# **Cable Design and Build Services**





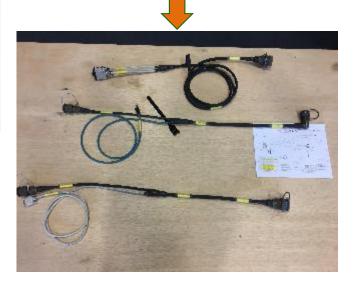


# Cable Fabrication

- EDT can fabricate a wide range of cables from scratch
  - Power cables
  - Data cables
  - •RF cables
  - Others
- IPC/WHMA-620 Class 3-Certified
- J-STD-001-Certified







# **Cable Design and Build Services**





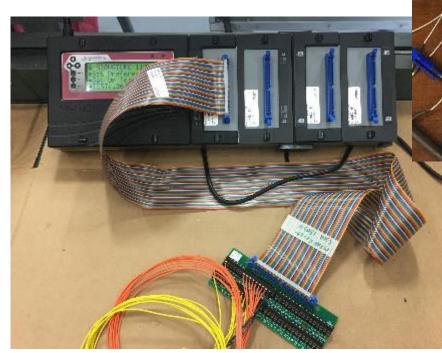


# Cable Quality Assurance (QA)

 EDT-fabricated cables are checked at every phase of development from design to release

 Able to verify cable functionality, continuity-testing, potential signal degradation, RF leakage/interface, and more





# **Cable Design and Build Services – Facilities/Tools**

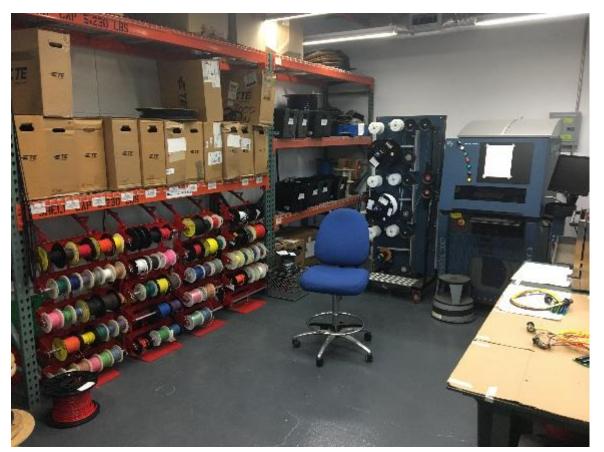








- Eight cable technician stations
  - Cable builds
  - Cable rework



#### Cable materials lab

- Wire of varying gauge
- Shrink-wrap
- Wire braid (grounding + bonding)

# **Cable Design and Build Services – Facilities/Tools**







#### **Cable Oven for Shrink-wrap**



# **Cable-Braiding Machine**



# **Wire-Processing Machine**

Quickly measures, laser labels, and cuts length of wire according to specification



# PCB Design, Development, and Build Services





## PCB Design Engineering

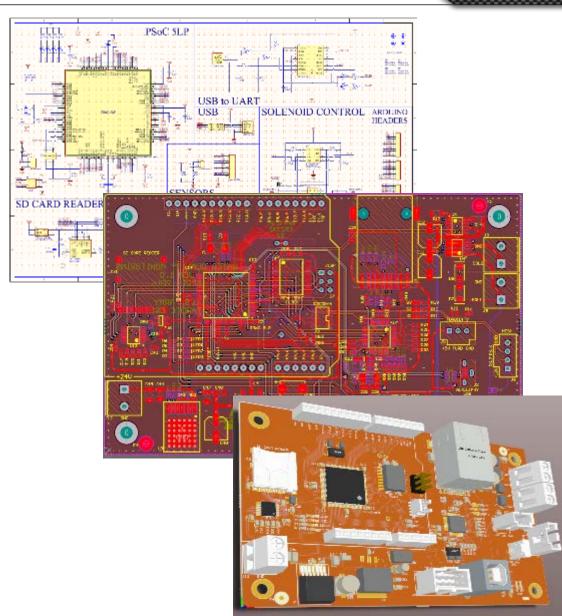
- Multiple experienced Printed Circuit Board (PCB) engineers on staff
- IPC-standardized design approaches
  - Certified Interconnect Designer (CID)-certified

#### Altium – Design Software

- Create & modify schematics based on customer ideas and inputs
- Seamless transition between schematics and PCB layout
- PCB design can be done in 2D and 3D, exporting 3D solids for packaging

#### Altium Vault – Common Repository

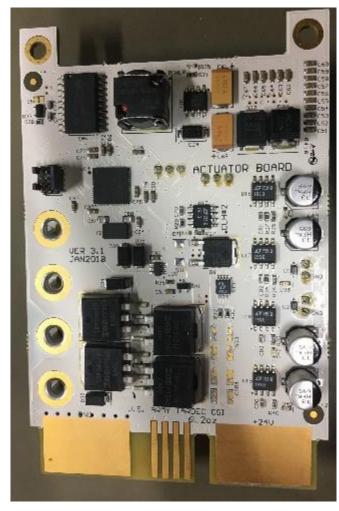
- Parts Library: "snippets" of proven design elements
   (i.e. power supplies, CAN, RS-232, etc)
- Allows multiple designers to work on the same project

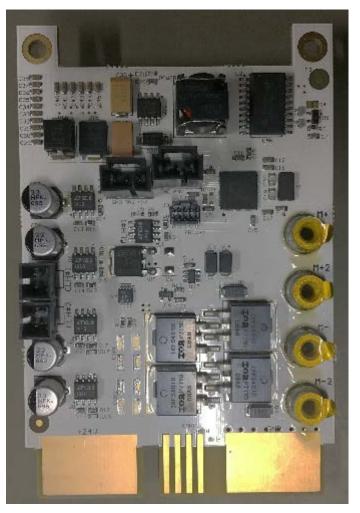


# **PCB Design, Development, and Build Services**









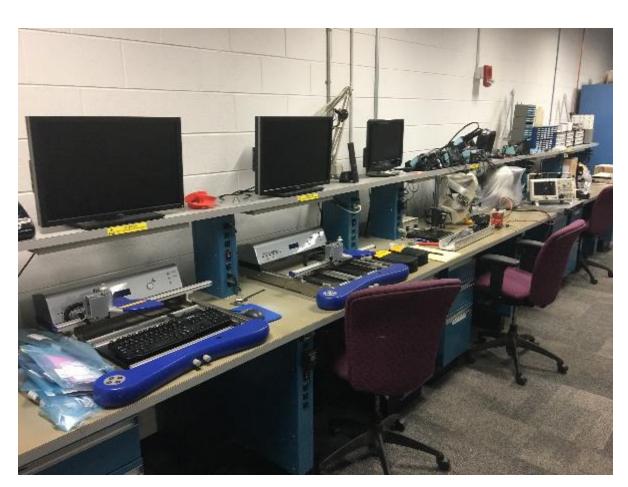
**CSI-EDT Modular Actuator Control Board** 

Designed and Assembled In-house

# PCB Design, Development, and Build Services – Facilities/Tools







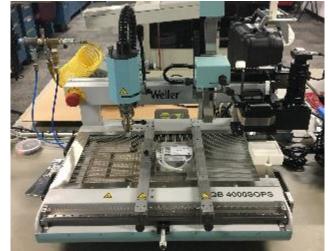
PCB Assembly, Rework, and Testing Bench

#### **Automated PCB Stencil Printer**

Places solder on to pre-fabricated PCBs



# **Optical Ball Grid Array Positioning System**



#### PCB Design, Development, and Build Services – Facilities/Tools







**Automated PCB Surface Mount Pick & Place** 

Picks up components from supplier-provided spools, and are placed in the proper position on the PCB



**PCB Reflow Oven** 

Reflows the solder on a PCB with components placed; secures and permanently connects components to PCB

## **Other Engineering Services Offered**





#### Complete C4ISR Services

Lead for C4ISR system design, development, and integration supporting MRAP Capability Sets 13 – 18, MTV Capability
 Sets 14 – 17, HTV Capability Set 14

#### Development of robotic control, drive-by-wire, and tele-operation systems

 Everything from the complete design and build of off-road tele-operation kits and combat vehicle drive-by-wire systems, to design modification and assembly of control systems for robotic construction equipment.

#### Software Engineering with specialization in embedded applications

Embedded and low-level software development from robotic manipulator control to modified Bradley turret control systems.

#### Measurement, test, and control system development

Expertise with LabVIEW-based systems design and tests for a variety of control system tasks.

#### System analysis

Performing power and data analysis to provide design alternatives for all integration activities.

#### System integration

Providing in-house or on-site integration support for PM's and PEO's supporting everything from weapon system integration on ships to radio integration on manned or unmanned ground vehicles.





#### Mission

 Enhance Warfighters capability to achieve victory through responsive, professional, leading-edge electronics products and services.

#### Vision

 Be the DoD-recognized ground systems' electronics authority for innovative Warfighter-focused solutions.

#### Values

- Integrity
- Respect
- Quality
- Professionalism
- Expertise

# How We Fit in the TARDEC Digital Physical Thread





