



## ITA/WHS Mark Center Transition

Beginning in 2013, Washington Headquarter Services (WHS) officially began the transition of information technology (IT) support for the Mark Center to ITA. This is an important support services milestone in the Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission's relocation of Department of Defense agencies to the Mark Center.

To commemorate the transition, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held on 10 January. Mr. William Brazis, Director, WHS; Mr. Gerald O'Keefe, Deputy Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army and Executive Director, Resources Programs Agency; Mr. Ronald Bechtold, OSD Chief Information Officer; Ms. Lytwaive Hutchinson, Director, Enterprise Information Technology Services Directorate; Mr. Gregory Garcia, Executive Director, ITA; and Mr. Sajeel Ahmed, Deputy Director (Acting), WHS, and Director, WHS Facilities Services Directorate attended the event as the official party. Mr. Bechtold, Mr. Brazis, and Mr. O'Keefe each gave brief comments commending the commitment and exemplary cross agency collaboration that have gone into the initiative. The ribbon cutting symbolizes the first of many IT responsibilities at the Mark Center that will shift from WHS to ITA.

Once the transition is complete, ITA will operate, maintain, and sustain the Mark Center telecommunications infrastructure. The management and maintenance of Mark Center IT services is transitioning to ITA in a phased approach. The entire process is expected to conclude by September 2013. ITA is also proud to share that Ms. Maria Levesque was coined by Mr. Brazis for her and ITA's exemplary efforts during the ongoing transition.



From left: Mr. Sajeel Ahmed, Mr. Gerald O'Keefe, Mr. Gregory Garcia, Ms. Lytwaive Hutchinson, Mr. William Brazis, Mr. Ronald Bechtold