

CAE advances to Phase II prototype for U.S. Army Soldier Virtual Trainer

-- CAE USA awarded rapid prototype, enhancing mission readiness of U.S. Army --

Orlando, FL, July 31, 2023 – (NYSE: CAE; TSX: CAE) CAE USA has been awarded the U.S. Army’s Phase II rapid prototyping effort supporting the Soldier Virtual Trainer (SVT) program.

The Other Transactional Authority award is a 20-month effort to finalize the prototype of the Weapons Skills Development, the SVT Core computational system, and the Intelligent Tutor. The award to CAE follows a two-year selection process that included a broad industry participation, a down selection for live solution demonstration, and a head-to-head competition for a single-year development to the US Army.

As a component of the Synthetic Training Environment (STE), the SVT prototype extends the U.S. Army’s capabilities to empower soldier-led training at the point of need. During Phase I, CAE collaborated with industry leaders and team partners, including Serious Simulations, Hapttech, FAAC, 4C Strategies, and Odyssey Arm to develop the next generation of virtual training solutions for the U.S. Army.

“Delivering point-of-need training technology combined with advanced learning science is a strength of our Defense & Security mission,” says Daniel Gelston, Group President, CAE Defense & Security. “Aligned with U.S. Army training modernization objectives, CAE’s expertise with synthetic training environments provides effective operational readiness to our soldiers.”

The SVT program is part of the Program Executive Office for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO STRI) modernization effort to deliver a Synthetic Training Environment that will transform how the U.S. Army trains its soldiers to meet the demands of future missions. The program will integrate several individual soldier training capabilities into a next-generation training system for use simultaneously or individually. It is expected to replace legacy training systems and fill critical training gaps, providing soldiers the repetition necessary to train and succeed in multi-domain operations.

The Soldier Virtual Trainer prototype and other agile solutions for next-generation capabilities are a priority of CAE Defense & Security to address the adapting needs of global customers in alignment with modernization priorities.

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About CAE

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