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A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF HCS GROUP, PC 2018, ISSUE 3

A Word from Leadership:

HCS Group continues to increase our global footprint and presence from a small business platform. Travels this quarter have taken us to Costa Rica, Lebanon, Tanzania, El Salvador, and in the USA, to Washington DC, Boston, Vicksburg, and Dallas, as our projects vary from a wide range of facilities and infrastructure programs.

The end of this quarter corresponds to the end of FY18 for government and other related work. Now the tasks move forward into FY19 including HCS Group being selected as the Designer of Record to add a 2 MW solar energy plant to the Soto Cano Air Base, Honduras utility grid. HCS Group designed the first solar farm at the base in 2013 and is now continuing with the process of providing a more sustainable energy solution to the local base grid.

It has been a busy quarter. HCS also has a new website: www.hcsgroupet.com

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FEATURE PROJECT

Misc. Engineering & Analysis - Tethered Aerostat Radar System (TARS): Ft. Huachuca, AZ and Cudjoe Key, FL

HCS Group leadership has worked at numerous Ground Based Radar Program sites throughout Latin America and Caribbean. Because of this, we were selected to work on the TARS program.

The TARS airships, located along the US border for border surveillance, were experiencing static discharge issues and a series of field evaluations, test, and reports were prepared. Numerous hours of research were performed to evaluate the issues for the airships and solutions were established to be applied on the airship and on-ground operations facilities and infrastructure.

The first TARS system assigned to the US was in 1980, in the Florida Keys operated by the US Customs Service to assist in counternarcotic operations. While started by the Department of Defense, US Customs and Border Protection assumed responsibility in 2014.

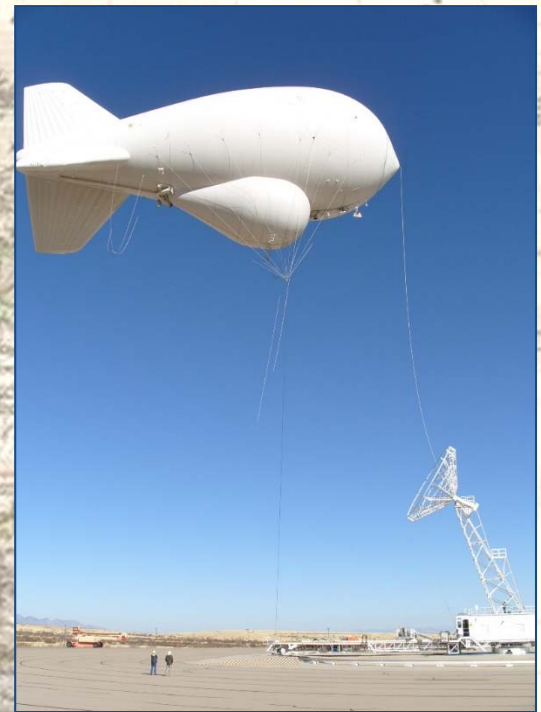
The airships can reach an altitude of 25,000 feet and have a maximum detection range of 200 nautical miles.

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Around the office...



Employee Spotlight: Tom Bergeron

Tom heads HCS Group's Technical Division. He was born in Houmala, Louisiana and is our resident Cajun. Tom is married to Debbie and they have one son serving in the Marines. The couple has two dogs, Vader and Spanky.

Before coming to HCS, Tom owned his own electrical contracting company and brought years of experience with him. His most fulfilling project to date at HCS was at the Nellis AFB hospital. It was an emergency situation and Tom had to scramble to pack and fly out to Nevada to solve a mysterious tripping problem with the breakers that fed all the operating rooms to get them up and running quickly.

Tom's hobbies include bow hunting and target shooting. His co-workers tease him about his large collection of cowboy boots and hats.

Tom is currently reading Lee Child's Die Trying, a book in the Jack Reacher Series. First on his bucket list is a trip to Rome to see the sights.

Since Tom has been all over the world on HCS's projects, he was asked what was the most unusual food he's ever eaten. He tells the story of being approached by children in Tanzania to buy goat on a stick.

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SAME FEDERAL SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE

HCS Group is a proud sponsor of the 2018 SAME Small Business Conference in New Orleans this year from October 31 to November 2. We will be exhibiting as well. Come see us in Booth 818.

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