Release Management

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Staffing

Institution	Person	FTE	Notes
UW-Madison	Tim Theisen	0.5	Release Manager
UW-Madison	Brian Lin	0.5	
U of Chicago	Suchandra Thapa	0.5	Tests on their own ITB Site
BNL	Xin Zhao	0.4	Tests on their own ITB Site

Key Accomplishments

- Regular Release Schedule
 - Others can make plans (OSG CA Migration)
- Flexibility when needed
 - Nearly weekly releases late November to mid December
 - Support early release of OSG CA
 - Fix critical problems
- No High Priority Releases this year

Key Accomplishments (cont.)

- Closer coordination with HTCondor Team
- Beta testing HTCondor
 - Win-Win
 - Found problems in HTCondor before release
 - Made adjustments in OSG Software Stack before release
- ITB Site Deployed in Madison
 - Instrumental in testing EL7 worker node software
- Maintained relationships with sites/technology leaders for external testing when needed

Issues and Lessons Learned

- Incomplete testing (issue from last year)
 - Record tests and results in ticket and have it reviewed by the Release Manager
- One incomplete release
 - Software was tested but not released
 - Tighten up adherence to release procedure
 - Add automated cross-check before release.
- Tickets returned for rework within release cycle
 - 10% last year, 5.6% this year
 - Sofware Team is doing a better job

Year 5 Plans

- Continue Routine Work
 - Testing and Releasing Software
 - Tracking defects discovered
 - Recording tests and results
- Madison ITB
 - Utilize in whole system testing
 - Get more staff involved
 - Test HTCondor Release Candidates
 - Add job pressure
 - Add storage (StashCache?) as well? (lower priority)