Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)

ENTERPRISE POLICY – P4000 SECURITY-GENERAL POLICIES

Category: P4140 – CYBERSECURITY FRAMEWORK

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I. AUTHORITY

Authority: Idaho Code § 67-831 through § 67-833

II. ABSTRACT

An important component of the State of Idaho's cybersecurity program is the establishment of a standards-based enterprise-wide cybersecurity framework. A framework provides a common context for communicating security plans, programs, and components (policies, procedures, standards, and guidelines) between agencies.

A cybersecurity framework also provides a common taxonomy and tools for agencies to:

- 1) Describe their current cybersecurity posture.
- 2) Describe their target state for cybersecurity.
- 3) Identify and prioritize opportunities for improvement within the context of continuous and repeatable processes.
- 4) Assess progress toward the target state.
- 5) Communicate statuses and risk mitigation solutions between internal and external stakeholders.

The National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework was selected by the State of Idaho because it is standards-based and it is widely adopted by both government and non-government organizations.

III. DEFINITIONS

There are no definitions for this policy.

IV. POLICY

In order to be compliant with this policy, State agencies shall adopt the NIST Cybersecurity Framework as the basis for assessing their cybersecurity programs.

V. EXEMPTION PROCESS

Refer to ITA Policy <u>P1010</u> (Information Technology Policies, Standards, and Guidelines Framework).

VI. PROCEDURE REFERENCE

Procedure guidelines for the adoption of the NIST Cybersecurity Framework are contained within the ITA Guideline <u>G501</u> (Cybersecurity Framework Guidance).

VII. CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information, contact the ITA Staff at (208) 605-4064 or security@its.idaho.gov.

VIII. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

NIST Cybersecurity Framework Reference

REVISION HISTORY

07/01/18 – Updated Idaho statute references.

04/26/16 - Revised to incorporate the NIST Cybersecurity Framework.

07/01/13 - Changed "ITRMC" to "ITA".

06/16/09 – Added Procedure Reference and Revision History, deleted Timeline.

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