

CYBERSECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Hybrid Meeting
Thursday, March 7, 2024, 2:00 PM

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Narvaiz called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. She reviewed general procedures for the Zoom meeting.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Raja Sambandam, Chair
Jason Johnson
Robert Benavidez
Dr. Lorie Liebrock
Josh Rubin
Kenneth Abeyta
Todd Ulses

Clinton Nicely
Janelle Frederick for James Mountain (IAD)
Phil Zamora for Sarita Nair
Danielle Gilliam for James Kenny
Cecilia Mavrommantis for Wayne Propst
Logan Fernandez for Cassandra Hayne
Seth Morris for Raul Burciaga

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Narvaiz, DoIT, PIO
Todd Baran, OAG
Todd Glanzer (Deloitte), Will Campos (Deloitte), Rick Comeau (Deloitte), Flori Martinez, Ed Burchett, Jacqueline Lovato, Bryan Brock, Dans (DoIT)

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Ms. Narvaiz called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Johnson so moved, seconded by Mr. Ulses.
There being no opposition, the Agenda was approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION Ms. Narvaiz called for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2024 meeting. Mr. Ulses so moved, seconded by Mr. Abeyta
There being no opposition the minutes were approved.

5. Updates from the State Chief Information Security Officer – Raja Sambandam

Chair Sambandam noted that there have been a couple of cybersecurity incidents in the last few weeks, particularly the one involving the pharmacy system at United Healthcare, and what might be learned from these.

He recapped the recent legislative session and within the budget portion of this session the Office of Cybersecurity got most of what they had requested. He thanked the partners at BFA and LFC for heeding these requests and approving the necessary funding sources.

He reported that due to several amendments and changes, the original intent of SB129 was altered so that it was ultimately vetoed. There may be some additional information forthcoming with regard to fixing some of those changes, but not much to share at this time. He is continuing to work with the Executive Office on this.

Chair Sambandam called for any questions on these items. There were none.

6. Cybersecurity Grant Update - Deloitte

William Campos reported that the SLCGP application period was launched on February 12th and will

remain open through April 30th. He also noted that meetings were hosted prior to this for entities to participate on calls with the Engagement Subcommittee and representatives from Deloitte to get background on the grant, the available projects and application options. Information gathered from this activity is being processed into an FAQ document which will be published and available soon. Deloitte will be working with the Office of Cybersecurity to monitor applications as they come in to analyze these for completeness and accuracy. Deloitte will also be analyzing the applications for information that will be helpful for future decision making with respect to contracting, etc. Deloitte is preparing to amend the application to FEMA from the State of New Mexico to request funding for implementation of the state provided services. He then asked Mr. Comeau to review the timeline for this.

Mr. Comeau screen-shared and reviewed this timeline which covers the process for amending the application submitted for fiscal year 2022, otherwise known as Year One, beginning with February 12th, and the launch of the grant sub-recipient grant application and associated communications sent out to local government entities across the state, pertaining to grant applications. He commented that if this amended application is submitted by the deadline of March 15th it will probably take a week or two for this to be approved. Once the amended application is approved with the five approved projects and requested funding amounts this will start the official 45 day pass-through period, which could end on approximately May 7th. He then reviewed projected target dates for subsequent activities.

Mr. Glanzer added comments relative to extension of services already in place, which would not involve any procurement challenges with the initial tranche projects, those which involve extending some of the cybersecurity services already supporting the state.

Mr. Comeau thanked Mr. Glanzer for his input and agreed this was a good point to emphasize.

Chair Sambandam asked how many applications have been received and processed.

Mr. Campos stated that there are three completed applications at this point, all of which are requesting state provided services. He added that there are several still in process and the intent is to send out reminders for those to be completed, in addition to future engagement efforts to entities which may have questions before moving forward with their applications, or may need assistance completing the application.

Chair Sambandam asked if there is a mechanism in place for determining if an entity is having difficulty with the application process.

Mr. Campos stated that there is nothing definitive in place to identify those entities which have initiated an application on the Submittable platform, but have not completed this. The plan is to directly engage all of the entities initially targeted when the application was opened, with a reminder that the application is open and they should reach out if they have any questions, along with information guiding them to reportings and FAQs that will be published. He added that Deloitte will be continuing to work with the Engagement Subcommittee in this regard.

Chair Sambandam asked if there is a point of contact and phone number being provided for assistance. Mr. Campos responded that yes, there is contact information listed.

Dr. Liebrock asked if there were any negative implications for this funding stream given that SB129 did not pass.

Chair Sambandam replied that he did not believe there was any correlation to this as the funding process is separate from the changes to the Act. This bill did not have any appropriations associated with it, so these are two distinct processes.

Dr. Liebrock stated she wanted to be sure there were no policy deficiencies regarding SLCGP.

Chair Sambandam thanked Dr. Liebrock for her input.

Mr. Glanzer stated Deloitte will be working with Ms. Gutierrez, Mr. Benavidez and the Engagement Subcommittee to track and provide updates on the application process and will continue to be proactive in terms of outreach.

Chair Sambandam asked if the earliest draw on the funds would be end of May, providing all applications are submitted and approved in a timely manner.

Mr. Glanzer replied that this is what he would expect, based on the current understanding of the process.

Chair Sambandam asked if funds coming through the program could be used to reimburse for services already provided by the state, such as penetration testing.

Mr. Glanzer stated that this is one of the projects included and described the mechanism of how these services could be paid for.

Chair Sambandam asked if there were any further questions. There were none.

7. Public Comment

Mr. Abeyta noted that he has been seeing attempted Blue Force attacks approximately once or twice a week over the last month, and he has reached out to Chair Sambandam regarding this. He wondered if anyone else has been experiencing this.

Chair Sambandam responded that he will have someone reach out to Mr. Abeyta and do a follow up on this.

Mr. Abeyta thanked Chair Sambandam. He commented that this may be a trend that needs to be examined or addressed.

Chair Sambandam thanked Mr. Abeyta for bringing this to the attention of the Committee, and he will connect with Mr. Abeyta to determine if there is any further information which should be shared with the Committee.

8. Adjournment

MOTION Ms. Narvaiz called for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Liebrock so moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson. There being no opposition and no further business before the Committee the meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

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Raja Sambandam, Committee Chair, State CISO