

**Federal PKI Legal & Policy working Group Meeting**  
**June 23, 2003**

Three new members were welcomed to the group: Jo Brooks, State Dept; Lisa Spears, Treasury/BPD; and Donna Canode, Treasury Enterprise PKI.

Much of the meeting was devoted to summarizing the background and status of current work.

The new Federal Identity Credentialing Committee will have its initial meeting this week. It is organized by OMB under the E-Authentication Initiative. It combines the Federal PKI Steering Committee and the Smart Card Interagency Advisory Board and will incorporate others such as the Federal physical security and HR communities. The FICC will develop a set of policies, procedures and standards for Federal Identity Management, and this will become the first service-level component of the Federal Enterprise Architecture. Treasury and State are currently deploying credentials that combine physical and logical access functions, similar to the DOD Common Access Card.

Illinois and ACES have been policy mapped for cross-certification with the Federal Bridge, and the CPWG's mapping reports have been approved by the Policy Authority. Canada's policy mapping is mostly done, and lingering details should be worked out in September. Verisign's policy mapping is also mostly done, and remaining details should be worked out soon. There are ongoing conversations with Labor, and in the private sector with the higher education, aerospace and healthcare communities. The Steering Committee has commissioned a study of bridge-to-bridge interoperation.

The Policy Authority, at its June 10 meeting, voted to forward the LPWG's recommended Liability Language for Federal Agency CPs to the Justice Department for review.

The Policy Authority also approved the LPWG's template for a Memorandum of Agreement between the PA and an entity that is about to cross-certify with the Federal Bridge, and the template has now been posted on the PA's web site. In the last set of language changes in the draft, the version for Federal agencies and the version for State and local governments and US private sector organizations became identical, and the version for governments of other nations differs only in two comments in the Dispute Resolution section, so all three have now been consolidated into a single template.

In response to his plea for descriptions of current agency practices regarding identity proofing of employees and affiliates prior to issuance of agency credentials, Gene has received a reply from SBA and has been promised one from DOD later in the week. He will re-send the strawman for a notional civilian agency to the other agencies.

**Attendees:**

Gene McDowell, Commerce/NOAA  
Theresa Trentacoste, USDA/NFC  
Lisa Spears, Treasury/BPD  
Woody Roberson, Treasury/IRS  
Donna Canode, Treasury Enterprise PKI  
Peter Alterman, HHS/NIH  
Bob House, State  
Paula Barton, State  
Jo Brooks, State  
Jan McNutt, DOD/DISA