Federal Public Key Infrastructure Steering Committee Meeting Minutes – November 7, 2001

Electronic Government (E-Gov) Initiatives:

Judy Spencer handed out copies of the 23 E-Gov initiatives. Because of this, the importance of the Federal Bridge and the role of the Federal PKI Policy Authority will increase. The 23 E-Gov initiatives are: Government to Citizen (USA Service, EZ Tax Filing, Online Access, Recreation One Stop, Eligibility Assistance Online), Government to Government (e-Vital, e-Grants, Disaster Assistance and Crisis Response, Geo-spatial Information One Stop, Wireless Networks, Enterprise Case Management), Government to Business (Federal Asset Sales, Online Rulemaking Management, Simplified and Unified Tax and Wage Reporting, Consolidated Health Informatics, Business Compliance One Stop, International Trade Process Streamlining), Internal Effectiveness and Efficiency (e-Training, Recruitment One Stop, Enterprise HR Integration, Integrated Acquisition, e-Records Management) and e-Authentication.

The FPKISC will provide expertise and encourage buy-in to these initiatives.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) advised that before deciding on these 23 initiatives, interviews were conducted with policy officials and out of 300 ideas approximately 30 crosscutting recommendations were developed to improve and, where possible, standardize practices across federal agencies. These recommendations (initiatives) were presented to the President's Management Council, of which the aforementioned 23 will be pursued. Lead for each initiative was assigned to a volunteering federal agency, but other affected agencies will be expected to actively participate in pursing the initiative. OMB stated that funding would be available for these initiatives and draft plans are being written now.

The CIO Council is being reorganized into three main committees: Best Practices, Federal Architecture & Infrastructure, and Workforce & Human Capital. The Enterprise Interoperability and Emerging Information Technology Committee (EIEITC) is now the Federal Architecture and Infrastructure committee and, as such, the FPKISC now falls under its jurisdiction.

Status on the Federal Bridge Certification Authority (FBCA):

Microsoft will be ready to start interoperability testing with the FBCA in the December 2001 timeframe and plans to be ready to participate within the membrane in the January 2002 timeframe.

The latest and greatest version of Entrust CA software has demonstrated the ability to cross-certify and is ready for operations.

Status on the Business Working Group (BWG):

There will be a PKI conference on November 29, 2001. It is one day only and will be held at the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Washington, DC. It will focus on PKI 101: Best

Practices and Lessons Learned. The conference is free with an attendance limit of 500. The conference was recently opened to industry. Registration requirements apply to all attendees (refer to the Federal PKI BWG web page for further information).

Each federal agency included in Appendix A of "The Evolving Federal Public Key Infrastructure" booklet have been asked to provide updates on their PKI project status. Please e-mail your updates to Brant Petrick. You can access Appendix A online, via the Federal PKI BWG web page.

Next Meeting:

The next FPKISC meeting will be at the GSA, Central Office building in conference room 5141B on December 17th, starting at 9:30 a.m.

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