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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS

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SUBJECT: Guidance for Trusted Internet Connection Statement of Capability Form (SOC)

In November 2007, OMB announced the implementation of Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) in Memorandum M-08-05, "Implementation of Trusted Internet Connections (TIC)." The TIC initiative is to optimize individual external connections, including internet points of presence currently in use by the federal government. It will improve the federal government's incident response capability through the reduction of external connections and centralized gateway monitoring at a select group of TIC Access Providers (TICAP).

This memorandum provides departments and agencies (D/A) with the opportunity, through their submission by April 15, 2008, of the attached [Trusted Internet Connection Statement of Capability Form \(SOC\)](#), to propose their solution and provide their level of capability to become a Trusted Internet Connection Access Provider (TICAP).

The attached SOC form includes the following five sections:

1. Detailed instructions for how and what sections shall be completed
2. A TIC Enterprise Level Diagram to provide an overview of the "To Be" government-wide architecture
3. Business Model Capabilities Tab
4. Technical Capabilities Tab
5. Seeking Service Explanation Tab

D/As will select their preferred type of TICAP and fill out the appropriate information as outlined below:

1) Single Service Provider: Departments and Agencies that propose to provide services to customers internal to their D/A only, shall complete the following tabs contained within the Statement of Capability Form

- Technical Capabilities
- Business Model Capabilities

2) Multi Service Provider: Departments and Agencies that propose to provide shared services to both internal customers as well as customers outside of their own D/A shall complete the following tabs contained within the Statement of Capability Form

- Technical Capabilities
- Business Model Capabilities

3) Seeking Service: Departments and Agencies that propose to receive services from a TICAP shall complete the following tabs contained within the Statement of Capability Form

- Technical Capabilities
- Seeking Service Explanation

All D/As must account for each subordinate agency, bureau or component level entity. D/As shall submit a separate Statement of Capability Form for each type of TICAP desired.

Please complete and submit the Statement of Capability Form no later than COB Tuesday April 15, 2008. Please note that the completed document should be treated as Sensitive but Unclassified (SBU) and should be treated accordingly. The form should be password protected and submitted to isslob@dhs.gov; additional submission information is provided in the SOC instructions. The ISS LoB Program Management Office and OMB will review these submissions and follow-up with agencies as needed.

The April 15, 2008, SOC deadline corresponds with the following Q3FY08 Scorecard Planned Actions:

- Submission of a revised agency plan of action and milestones (POAM) regarding consolidation of external connections to isslob@dhs.gov no later than April 15, 2008.
- Submission of D/A justifications of the targeted number of TICs your D/A is requesting to isslob@dhs.gov for evaluation by OMB no later than May 1, 2008.

If you have any questions regarding the [Statement of Capability Form](#), please contact the ISS LoB at isslob@dhs.gov or 202-339-0282.

Policy References:

M-08-05 – “Implementation of Trusted Internet Connections (TIC)”
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/memoranda/fy2008/m08-05.pdf>

Planning Guidance for Trusted Internet Connections (TIC)
http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/egov/documents/TIC_ImplementationPlanningGuidance.pdf

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