

**Federal PKI Legal & Policy Working Group Meeting
December 16, 2002**

Gene McDowell wants to poll the LPWG membership for their feedback on changing the scheduled meeting date of April 28th to April 21st since the Second Annual PKI Research Conference at NIST will be held on the 28th and 29th.

The final draft of the PKI Records Management Guidance document is ready for joint publication by the Federal CIO Council and NARA later this month. Actual publication date will depend on NARA.

Peter Alterman will combine two documents that were written by Bill Burr (Draft - A white paper on simplifying the Federal PKI) and Judith Spencer (Federal PKI Steering Committee Response to the Recommendation of a Hierarchical, or Root, PKI for the Federal Government) for submittal to the Federal CIO Council.

Jan McNutt put together a draft liability language (a blanket disclaimer) for federal agency CPs. The project team will report this at the January LPWG meeting. After the LPWG approves the language, Gene will forward this to the Federal PKI Steering Committee (FPKISC), OMB, and DOJ for comments.

Shauna Russell, Peter Alterman and Gene McDowell met and went thru the draft MOA template comments. Gene needs to type the changes into the draft they were working from and then distribute the new draft MOA template to the LPWG for discussion, comments and possible acceptance at the January 27th meeting. Following LPWG approval, it will go to the FPKISC for approval, and then to the Federal PKI Policy Authority (which is the party to whom an agency enters into an MOA with).

Gene gave a presentation on "Authentication as a PKI Fundamental". He described how identity proofing and authentication fit into PKI, applying for a certificate, and validating a certificate. The goal is for a globally interoperable PKI.

Gene would like volunteers to research current practices in federal agencies for ID proofing their employees & contractors, and will organize a project team at the January LPWG meeting.

The next LPWG meeting is scheduled for January 27th, 1:00 p.m., at GSA's Central Office, 1800 F Street, NW, in room # 5141A.

Attendees:

Gene McDowell, NOAA
Jan McNutt, DOD
Judith Spencer, FPKISC
Shauna Russell, DOD GC

Ron Sann, ED
Theresa Trentacoste, USDA/NFC
Brant G. Petrick, FPKISC