

Federal PKI Steering Committee Meeting
May 29, 2002

Federal Bridge Certification Authority (FBCA) Status:

We've completed NASA's policy mapping with the FBCA earlier this month. NASA will be voted on for cross certifying with the FBCA at the medium assurance level at the next Federal PKI Policy Authority meeting (June 11th). We would also like to cross certify NFC with the FBCA in the same timeframe. A cross certification ceremony will be scheduled in the late June 2002 timeframe.

We have received the Department of Treasury's Certificate Policy (CP) and Certification Practices Statement (CPS). However, we still need the Department of Treasury's compliance audit report. We've already started the mapping process for the Department of Treasury.

There are approximately twelve changes that need to be incorporated into the DoD CP that needs to be voted on internally by DoD's CP Management Working Group.

There are also approximately twelve NASA CP changes that have already been approved by NASA management (with one major issue that needs to be signed-off by the NASA CIO).

We plan on cross certifying with the Department of Treasury by the end of this summer and DoD by the end of this calendar year. We still need to perform technical interoperability testing with both of these agencies.

The State of Illinois has completed their technical interoperability testing with the FBCA and we're currently waiting to receive their CP, their CPS and their compliance audit report.

We've drafted and are now incorporating new liability language in the FBCA CP to cross certify with non-federal entities. This applies to section 2.2 in the FBCA CP.

The Government of Canada is waiting on us to provide them with documentation so we can start the FBCA cross certification process. Once started, this process will only take 45 days since Canada has stringent time constraints. The State Department will be involved with the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Canadian government and us.

In the near future, we're planning on FBCA technical interoperability testing with Digital Signature Trust (DST) and VeriSign. We'll also need to pre-certify DST policy documents and VeriSign policy documents.

There is a FBCA working group meeting scheduled for June 12th at 11am to discuss LDAP referrals and Bridge-to-Bridge interoperability.

Access Certificates for Electronic Services (ACES) Status:

Many policy changes are being made so that the ACES program can cross certify with the FBCA at the medium assurance level. The ACES team is currently creating a Federal Employee profile.

The ACES team is also working with DoD to merge the ACES program with the Interim External Certification Authority (IECA) program. The three main ACES vendors are also part of the IECA team. A decision will be made by the middle of June whether to merge the two programs.

Certificate Policy Working Group (CPWG) Status:

The two co-chairs for the CPWG (John Cornell and Tim Polk) are in the process of drafting FBCA CP change proposal language that came out of the DoD and the NASA CP working group meetings.

Business Working Group (BWG) Status:

If you or someone you know would like to chair the BWG, please contact Judith Spencer. A date has not yet been identified for the next BWG meeting.

Technical Working Group (TWG) Status:

There was a TWG meeting on May 2nd that had the following presenters: Technology Overview for Certificate Validation and Simplified PKI Management (Novomodo), Protection Profile for PK-Enabled Applications for the Marine Corps (Entrust/Cygnacom and Orion), Bridge CA Interoperability Update (NIH, MitreTek Systems and Georgetown), Updated Federal PKI Certificate and CRL Profile (NIST) and Proposed Federal PKI Directory Profile Version 2.0 (Booz-Allen & Hamilton).

The next TWG meeting is scheduled for June 20th at 9am. Located at the Novell, Inc. facility in Herndon, VA.

Health Care Working Group (HCWG) Status:

The next HCWG meeting is scheduled for June 25th at 10am. Located at the Hubert H. Humphrey Building in Room # 305A.

Legal and Policy Working Group (LPWG) Status:

The next LPWG meeting is scheduled for June 24th at 1pm. Located at the GSA/NCR Building in Room # 5700.

Next FPKISC Meeting:

A date has not yet been identified for the next FPKISC meeting.

Federal agencies are welcome to send a representative to participate in these meetings. However, government contractors are not permitted to attend these meetings.

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