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**OMB INTRODUCES ON-LINE CATALOG TO HELP AGENCIES EFFECTIVELY
IMPLEMENT NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

WASHINGTON—Today the Office of Management and Budget announced the launch of the Federal Transition Framework (FTF) in a memorandum this week to Agency Chief Information Officers and Chief Architects. The FTF consolidates guidance to agencies on policies and best practices in order to implement effective information technology (IT) solutions government-wide.

Under the Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA), authorized by the E-Government Act of 2002 to promote interagency collaboration in providing electronic services, the FTF was created to better equip agencies with clear and consistent information needed to cost-effectively invest in IT and incorporate new technologies into existing agency operations. The FTF is a catalog of architectural information and implementation guidance for cross-agency IT initiatives, such as the E-Gov, Line of Business (LoB), Internet Protocol Version 6 (IPv6) and Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD 12) initiatives.

“The FTF addresses OMB’s goal of delivering results,” said Karen Evans, Administrator, Electronic Government and Information Technology, OMB. “By consolidating cross-agency information on IT policy in one convenient location, agencies are able to quickly and more efficiently make decisions related to their overall mission.”

“The launch of FTF demonstrates great progress as we help agencies better utilize available information and take advantage of government-wide IT initiatives,” said Richard Burk, Chief Architect, OMB. “Improved effectiveness and efficiency in IT investments will mean better services and increased savings for our agencies and for the American taxpayer.”

Specifically, the FTF allows agencies to:

- receive more consistent, complete, and detailed information about cross-agency initiatives to make agency enterprise architecture, capital planning, and implementation activities more effective;
- capitalize on cost savings and service improvements; and
- increase the speed of adoption of cross-agency initiatives to improve IT services to the agencies and to the public.

OMB will continue to work with agencies and the E-Gov and LoB initiatives over the course of the summer to expand the information provided in the FTF Catalog for release in September 2006. The initial version will include information on most cross-agency initiatives, as well as feedback from the pilot program.

Further information about the FEA and FTF is available at: <http://www.egov.gov>.
The FTF and corresponding memo is available at: <http://www.egov.gov/ftf>

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