

Final Assessment Report 08-11, September 18, "WebTrust Assessment of GPO's Certification Authority – Attestation Report"

GPO implemented a Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) to support its mission related to electronic information dissemination and e-government, and to meet GPO customer expectations that documents are official and authentic. The GPO PKI is certified with the Federal Bridge Certificate Authority (FBCA) whose certification provisions require that the GPO PKI undergo an annual independent compliance review. To satisfy this compliance requirement, the GPO Office of Inspector General tasked an independent public accounting (IPA) firm to conduct a WebTrust assessment of its Certification Authority (CA). The assessment was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) "WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities." The assessment represents an evaluation of whether GPO management's assertions related to the adequacy and effectiveness of controls over its CA operations is fairly stated based on underlying principles and evaluation criteria.

For the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, the IPA issued an Attestation Report which expressed its unqualified opinion that GPO's management assertion related to its CA operations was in all material respects, fairly stated based on the AICPA WebTrust for Certification Authorities Criteria. The final report is considered sensitive.