TOP 10 REASONS TO ADOPT

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NATIONAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE MODEL

1 ### NIEM IMPROVES DECISION-MAKING
NIEM makes it possible for organizations to share critical data, and as a result, people are empowered to make informed decisions that improve efficiency and help organizations advance and fulfill their missions.

2 ### NIEM INCREASES COLLABORATION
NIEM provides a common vocabulary and mature model that enables agencies to collaborate and develop innovative, data-driven, mission-focused solutions.

3 ### NIEM SPEEDS UP DEVELOPMENT AND REDUCES COSTS
As your experience developing information exchanges increases, the cost of developing NIEM exchanges decreases. Plus, because exchanges are reusable, NIEM saves money and time.

4 ### NIEM IS FLEXIBLE AND EXCHANGES ARE REUSABLE
NIEM's framework consists of mature, repeatable, reusable processes and tools that align with an organization's enterprise architecture, allowing organizations to move information quickly and effectively without having to rebuild systems or abandon legacy infrastructure. Using NIEM, architects can construct information exchange models based on existing business processes, enabling consistency and a common language across the enterprise. In addition, through exchange reuse, development time is reduced.

5 ### NIEM IS APPROACHABLE
NIEM aims to easily engage and on-board new practitioners. A comprehensive resource for organizations to successfully exchange information, NIEM provides the tools, help desk, training, governance, and active community necessary to support its users. You can get started with NIEM by accessing the NIEM Program Management Office (PMO) through social networking sites, phone and email.

6 ### NIEM IS BROADLY REPRESENTED
NIEM is guided by stakeholders from all levels of government—federal, state, local, tribal—and from agencies with diverse missions, as well as associations and private industry.

7 ### NIEM WORKS WITH EXISTING STANDARDS
NIEM can link to or wrap around existing information exchange standards without replacing them. Rather than reinventing the wheel, NIEM allows separately maintained standards to work together, simplifying integration.

8 ### NIEM IS MORE THAN JUST A DATA MODEL—IT'S A COMMUNITY
NIEM provides an extensive data model and dictionary, as well as a mature lifecycle, training curriculum, help desk, and program support. NIEM also allows a community of diverse stakeholders to agree on a common vocabulary.

9 ### NIEM IS BUSINESS-DRIVEN
Mission communities of interest represent domains with a vested stake in advancing a common business vocabulary. NIEM supports domain independence by enabling autonomy and allowing the model to evolve dynamically in response to business needs.

10 ### RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP SUPPORT ADOPTION
Training, help desk, and technical assistance is available today to support you. Additionally, state and local government entities may qualify for grant funding. Visit www.**NIEM**.gov or contact NIEM at information@niem.gov for more information.

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