

GSA Federal Acquisition Service

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

Anna Brown, Contracting Officer

GSA, FAS, ITS, QTAFC

SUBJECT:

Managed Trusted Internet Protocol Service (MTIPS) Acceptance

This letter is to confirm QWEST's Managed Trusted Internet Protocol Service (MTIPS) has met the requirements of the MTIPS Statement of Work (SOW) for both Networx Universal (GS00T07NSD0002) and Networx Enterprise (GS00T07NSD0040) contracts and is considered to be an approved service offering of the Networx contracts.

Before the MTIPS service could be offered to subscribing Agencies, QWEST had to meet the MTIPS SOW requirements, including the following: (1) Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) Compliance Validation (TCV) certification letter and (2) the Networx PMO C&A Memorandum letter.

QWEST has satisfied the requirements for the Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) Compliance Validation (TCV). The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) Compliance Validation (TCV) issued the certification letter, dated February 4, 2010, which confirms QWEST is currently fully compliant with the TIC Initiative and is designated at Mature Operating Capability. Per the DHS TCV certification letter, a TCV re-assessment will be conducted within 6 months following initial delivery of service.

QWEST has satisfied the requirements for Certification & Accreditation (C&A) documentation of the Security Operation Center (SOC). The GSA Networx Program Office (PMO) issued the Certification & Accreditation (C&A) Memorandum, dated June 7, 2010; however, it does not represent a GSA Federal Acquisition Service (FAS) Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Certification and Accreditation or an independent verification or certification of the findings.

GSA FAS OCIO will be issuing a Government-wide Authority to Operate (ATO) and until issued, the subscribing Agencies must make their own acceptable risk determinations and accreditation decisions. QWEST may provide MTIPS service to a subscribing Agency only after the Agency's Designated Approving Authority (DAA) has issued an interim ATO, and it is on file and accepted by the Networx PMO. All Agency interim ATOs will be superseded by the FAS OCIO Government-wide ATO when issued. Please refer to the memo entitled "Clarifications regarding MTIPS Service Turn-up" dated December 15, 2009 for further guidance.

QWEST is obligated to deliver MTIPS as prescribed under the Networx contracts. Any changes or modification shall not occur without prior approval.