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Views on the Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity

RE: Contributions and responses to CSF RFI-01-09-16 (Private)

NIST question 9:

The issue of duplicated and inconsistent policies clearly stemmed from lack of collaboration and coordination across agencies that develop these policies.

- (1) There is a need for the development of a mandatory alliance of government regulatory bodies (State and Federal levels) to discuss existing regulatory requirements, standards and related processes across the broad spectrum of Cyber Security Framework.
- (2) There is also a need for the development of a common storage to enlist all documents to identify discrepancies (egs., duplications, inconsistencies) and rectify them.

The items above help ensure when developing new policies, requirements, processes, standards and frameworks, they are not duplicating and contradicting those that are already in place.

NIST Questions 18 and 19. What steps could the U.S. government take to increase sharing of best practices?

Refer to comments on question 9.

Collaboration of all agencies through conferences and alliances. Key appointed statutory positions to represent each agency to collaborate and share information both on Federal and State levels will increase sharing of best practices across organisations. Key registered professional bodies, universities and industries may be invited as representatives to contribute in such exercise.

NIST Question 20.

Private sector's involvement in the governance of Framework.

Subsidies (egs., membership to groups, invitations to attend conferences for free, tax breaks or claims for their work on achieving better Cyber Security) to be provided by Government to organizations that are attesting to using and meeting the guidelines of Framework.

For other approaches visit <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2210832714000386>

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