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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – ARE YOUR PROTECTION CONTROLS UP TO DATE?

The advancement of technology allows hackers to become more efficient in tampering with firewalls and security systems to disrupt the flow of information and communication from your computers. Although many attacks are designed to hinder your servers, some may be specifically directed at stealing industrial information. While the actual physical damages may often be minimal, the manpower and cost to research, reorganize and find the lost data can be significant causing major disruptions to daily business operations. Therefore, as part of the Spring clean up; why not ensure that your Information Technology protection is up to date and still doing the job it was designed to do.

INSPECTIONS FEEDBACK

Companies must address any issues brought forward by Controlled Goods Inspectors prior to being sent a letter confirming that your organization is fully compliant with the Controlled Goods Program (CGP). Data collected from over 'x' hundred Controlled Goods inspections conducted during the past 12 months indicates that physical security measures are one of the strongest points in terms of compliance with the CGP. The Compliance Inspections Division of the Controlled Goods Directorate is pleased to see that the majority of registered persons have implemented sound security measures to safeguard their controlled goods. In the coming year, continued emphasis will be placed by CGP Inspectors on the development of security plans, the conduct of security assessments, and complete record keeping as required by Section 10 of the Controlled Goods Regulations.

In order to better prepare for an inspection, please consult the Pre-Inspection Self-Assessment Checklist. It is available in the Publications section of the CGP Web site where you will also find the Development Process of a Security Plan document. Together, these documents will assist you in the development of your security plan. For advice and recommendations regarding program compliance, contact the Controlled Goods Directorate (CGD) by telephone at 1-866-368-4646 or by email at: <u>dmc-cgd@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca</u>.

CONDUCTING CRIMINAL RECORD NAME CHECKS

Designated Officials are reminded that when conducting security assessments on employees who are in a position to examine, possess or transfer controlled goods; a Criminal Record Name Check (CRNC) is mandatorily required. A revision to the existing Policy on Security Assessments by Designated Official has been made and will be posted in the near future to ensure the mandatory nature of a CRNC is clear.

UPCOMING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

20th Annual Materiel Management National Workshop and Trade Show

Montreal, Quebec – Centre Sheraton Montreal May 11 to 14, 2009

The <u>Controlled Goods Directorate (CGD)</u>, along with PWGSC's <u>Canadian Industrial Security Directorate</u> will take part in the Trade Show portion of the 20th Annual Materiel Management National Workshop. The Materiel Management National Workshop is organized by the <u>Canadian Institute for Procurement and Materiel</u> <u>Management</u>. The CGD will occupy booth number 102 where knowledgeable staff will be on hand to answer your questions.

For further information on the workshop, please visit the following link:

http://www.mmi-igm.ca/en/mmnw/2009/index.shtml

CANSEC 2009 - Canada's National Defence & Security Technology Showcase

Ottawa, Ontario – Lansdowne Park May 27 to 28, 2009

The <u>Controlled Goods Directorate (CGD)</u>, along with PWGSC's <u>Canadian Industrial Security Directorate</u>, will take part in CANSEC 2009 – Canada's National Security Technology Showcase. CANSEC 2009 is organized by the <u>Canadian Association of Defence and Security Industries</u>.

The CGD will occupy booth number 2214, located in EADS Canada Hall for the trade show portion of CANSEC 2009.

For further information on the trade show, please visit the following link:

https://www.defenceandsecurity.ca/public/index.asp?acti on=cansec.welcome

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