

Piloting Supply Chain Risk Management Practices for Federal Information Systems

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Agenda

- Terms and Background
- Implementing Supply Chain Risk Management
- Supply Chain Risk Management Practices
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Terms

- ➤ Supply Chain Set of organizations, people, activities, information, and resources for creating and moving a product/elements or service (including sub-elements) from suppliers through to an organization's customers.
- ➤ Element COTS or GOTS software, hardware and firmware and is synonymous with components, devices, products, systems, and materials.



Terms (continued)

- Supplier An organization that produces elements and provides them to a customer or an integrator to be integrated into the overall system; it is synonymous with vendor and manufacturer. It also applies to maintenance/disposal service providers.
- ➤ Integrator A third party organization that specializes in combining products/elements of several suppliers to produce elements (information systems.)



Background

- Comprehensive National Cybersecurity Initiative11: Develop Multi-Pronged Approach for Global Supply Chain Risk Management (SCRM)
- Provide US Government with robust toolset of supply chain methods and techniques
- Multi-tiered Approach:
 - Cost effective procurement related strategies
 - Industry input into supply chain practices and development of international standards
 - Ability to share supply chain threat information



Lifecycle Processes and Standards Working Group

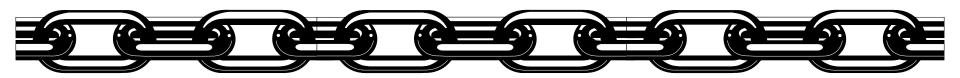
Develop guidance for civilian agencies on implementing supply chain risk mitigation strategies.

- Test existing and proposed guidance during pilots in FY09 and FY10
- Collaborate with organizations and industry on developing supply chain standards and practices



Guidance

- Draft NIST Inter-Agency Report (NIST IR) 7622 Piloting Supply Chain Risk Management Practices for Federal Information Systems
 - First Public Draft June, 2010
 - Final January, 2011
- Future NIST Special Publication
 - First Public Draft June, 2011



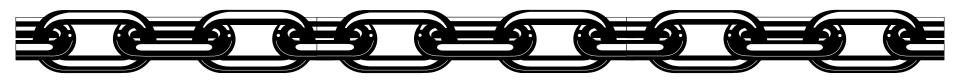
Supply Chain Pilots

- Department of Defense
- Department of Homeland Security
- ➤ Piloting of guidance in NISTIR



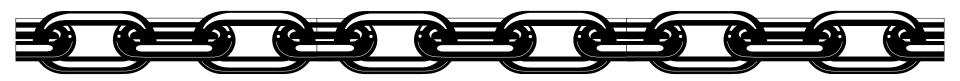
Collaboration

- ISO CS-1 Global Supply Chain Risk Management Ad Hoc Meetings
- ➤ IT and Telecom Sector Coordinating Councils (SCCs) and Government Coordinating Councils GCCs)



Implementing Supply Chain Risk Management

- Prerequisites for Successful SCRM Implementation
- Establish a Supply Chain Risk Management Capability (SCRMC)
- Roles and Responsibilities
- SCRMC Procurement Process



Prerequisites for Successful SCRM Implementation

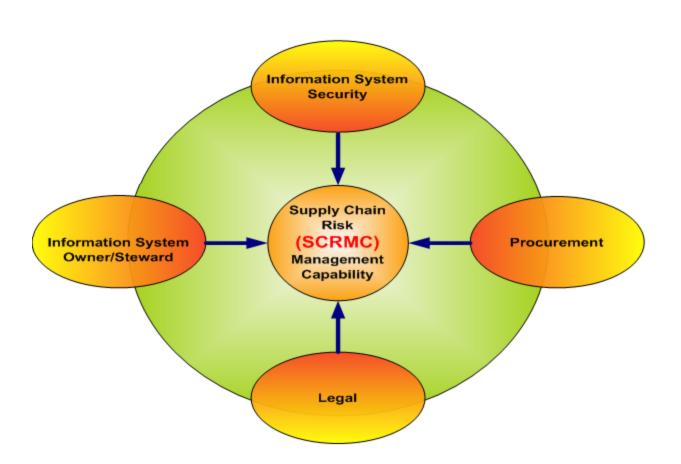
- Integrate information system security requirements from inception
- Ensure funding for information security and SCRM
- Follow consistent, well-documented repeatable system engineering and acquisition processes
- Proper oversight of suppliers
- Actively manage suppliers through Service Level Agreements/contracts
- Fully implement the NIST 800-53 security controls



Establish a SCRMC

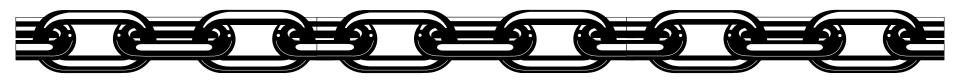
- Ad-hoc or formal team
- Develop policy and procedures
 - When team comes together
 - Who performs requirement analysis, makes risk decisions, prepares procurement related documents, and specifies any specific training requirements.







SCRMC Implementation



Step 1: Determine Supply Chain Risk Threshold

- FIPS 199 High Impact System
- NIST Special Publication 800-53 Rev. 3 Security Control: SA-12 Supply Chain Protection



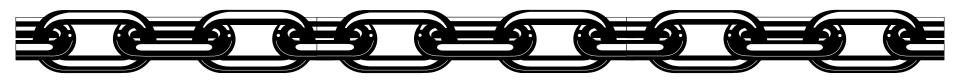
Step 2: Develop Requirements

- Identify critical elements, processes, systems, and information across the program
- Determine appropriate level of risk
- Review all data gathered during the pre-solicitation
- Obtain any additional information
- Consider a procurement strategy
- Develop a Statement of Work (SOW)



Statement of Work

- Detailed description of the technical, security, and SCRM requirements
- Performance measures
- Evaluation criteria
- Measurement thresholds



Step 3: Identify Potential Suppliers

- Conduct a market analysis
- Post a "sources sought" notification
- Gather information from open-sources



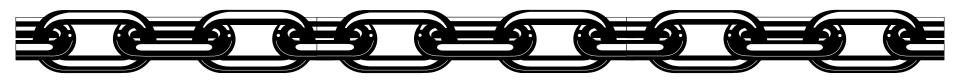
Open Sources

- Central Contractor Registry (CCR)
- Commercial & Government Entity (CAGE)
- Dunn & Bradstreet
- Business Identification Number Cross-reference (BINCS)



Step 4: Coordinate Acquisition Plan and Contract Execution

- Develop an Acquisition Plan
 - List of potential sources of suppliers
 - Description of how competition will be sought
 - Description of various contacting considerations
 - Strategies for mitigating supply chain risk
- Disclose any legal issues
- Perform technical review
- Select supplier



Step 5: Perform Continuous Monitoring

- Record lessons learned
- Monitor and periodically reevaluate changes in risk, suppliers, operational environment, and usage.
- Replacement components and maintenance should be reviewed for supply chain risk



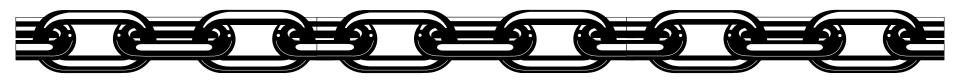
Supply Chain Practices

- 21 varying practices
 - Acquirer: Programmatic and validation activities
 - Supplier or integrator: General, technical and validation requirements
- Topic areas include:
 - Procurement
 - Design/Development
 - Testing
 - Operational
 - Personnel



Procurement

- Maximize acquirer's visibility into Integrators and Suppliers
- Protect confidentiality of element uses



Design/Development

- Incorporate supply chain assurance in requirements
- Select trustworthy elements
- Enable diversity
- Identify and protect critical processes and elements
- Use defensive design



Design/Development (continued)

- Protect the supply chain environment
- Configure elements to limit access and exposure
- Harden supply chain delivery mechanisms



Testing

- Manual review
- Static analysis
- Dynamic analysis
- Penetration testing



Operational

- Protect/monitor/audit operational systems
- Formalize service/maintenance
- Configuration Management
- Negotiate requirement changes
- Manage supply chain vulnerabilities
- Reduce supply chain risks during software updates and patches
- Supply chain incident response
- Reduce supply chain risks during disposal



Personnel

- Personnel considerations in the supply chain
- Promote awareness, educate and train personnel on supply chain risk



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