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From: **Wanda L** ███████████████████████
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as a data gatherer, auditor, and trainer, distilling each of the assessment methods into lists helps me see things more clearly.

The resulting finite list of choices helps me focus on the interconnectedness of things while identifying methods and artifacts to support audit and due diligence activities.

This helps identify methods and artifacts that support more than one assessment procedure.

This would help to quickly identify
    overlapping responsibilities and data sources,
    shared responsibilities for gathering data,
    help determine primary and secondary information sources and support personnel
    help service providers and their customers clearly define shared responsibilities.

My process was to take each column and remove duplicate statements.

Draft SP 800-171A Assessment Procedures - test column - search on access control resulting in 12 unique statements:

> Draft SP 800-171A Assessment Procedures
> access control capability for mobile device connections to organizational systems.
> mechanisms for implementing the access control policy for session lock.
> mechanisms for implementing the access control policy for unsuccessful logon attempts.
> mechanisms for implementing the access control policy.
> mechanisms for routing remote accesses through managed access control points.
> mechanisms for supporting and/or implementing access control for distribution and transmission lines.
> mechanisms for supporting and/or implementing access control for output devices.
> mechanisms for supporting and/or implementing physical access control.
> physical access control devices.
> processes for access control for distribution and transmission lines.
> processes for access control to output devices.
> processes for physical access control.

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1) is there enough of a difference between these two statements to justify the difference in wording?

> mechanisms for supporting and/or implementing access control for distribution and transmission lines.

and

> processes for access control for distribution and transmission lines.

It would be very helpful if the wording was consistent in both
   a- the words/statements used (exact wording) and
   b- the ordering of those words, preferably in A-B-C order in each statement

I know its a lot of nit-picking scrubbing, but in the long term I believe it will set a good foundation for the entire ecosystem of technical, administrative,
management, auditors, service providers, and the hosts of many others to at least say the same thing for the same purpose.

Plus, it is a great learning aid.

sincerely,

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