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Dear NIST SP 800-171 Rev.3 Team,

Please see attached my comments for the document's draft. I would like to clarify that I am not submitting these comments with an affiliation to any organization and am doing so only out of personal interest.

Sincerely,
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Comment #	Submitted By (Name/Org):*	Type (General / Editorial / Technical)	Suggested Change	Starting Page # *	Starting Line #*	Comment (include rationale)*	Suggested Change*
1	Karthik Shourya Kaligotla	Editorial	Try not to use the word "system" when defining the word system. A clearer approach, if the intent is to narrow the scope of the word, is to say something like "the term system is narrowed in Section 3 to only include nonfederal systems that processes, stores, or transmits CUI".	5	114	The current definition of the word system is unclear as it opens up to a recursive definition. If the purpose of that sentence is to narrow the scope of the word <i>system</i> , then something like example sentence given in column D should be used.	
2	Karthik Shourya Kaligotla	Editorial	"The definition of and enforcement of" should be changed to "The definition and enforcement of"	5	139	Grammatical suggestion to improve clarity	
3	Karthik Shourya Kaligotla	Technical	Consider including a section titled Media Disposal which talks about proper disposal techniques for media in section 3.8 (media protection) as it relates to CUI	35	1294	Currently, media storage, access, sanitization, marking, transport and use is discussed, leaving out discussion of proper disposal for media. This is also a critical component of secure media protection (more specifically the data in the media), and should be discussed.	
4	Karthik Shourya Kaligotla	General	Consider adding the fact that organizations should ensure literacy training on a regular basis (based on organizational requirements/decision) rather than only reactively to a change in the organization-specific security landscape or laws.	15	546	The cybersecurity industry is constantly changing and developing. Ensuring that personell go through literacy training in a regular cadence, defined by the organization, will allow for more equipped system users.	