



Rhode Island Cybersecurity Commission

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**Meeting #1: Thursday, June 25, 2015 from 3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. at
RIEMA HQ located at 645 New London Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920**

Commissioners in Attendance:

Gil Bishop - Chief Information Security Officer, Amica Mutual
Matt Cullina – Chief Executive Officer, IDT 911
Scott DePasquale – Chief Executive Officer, Utilidata Inc.; *Commission Chairman*
Teresa Durocher – Director of Information Security and Technology Risk, Fidelity Investments
Suma Gaddam – Chief Information Officer, Care New England
Peter Gaynor – Director, Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency
Thom Guertin – Chief Digital Officer, Rhode Island Office of Digital Excellence
Vlad Ibarra – Deputy Director, Providence Emergency Management Agency
Chuck LoCurto – Chief Information Officer, Bryant University
Molly Magee – Executive Director, Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA)
Macky McCleary – Director, Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation
Mark Munkacsy – Senior Engineering Fellow, Raytheon
Colonel Steven O’Donnell – Superintendent, Rhode Island State Police
Stefan Pryor – Secretary, State of Rhode Island Executive Officer of Commerce
Colonel James Vartanian – Director of Plans, Operations and Training, Rhode Island National Guard
Doug White – Director of Applied Networking and Security, Roger Williams University

As the first Cybersecurity Commission meeting commenced, the Commission Chairman initiated roll call, with sixteen Commission members present. Following introductions, an overview of the agenda was provided, along with an explanation of hand-out materials distributed to Commission members.

Review of Commission Objectives:

- First Report to the Governor - October 1, 2015
 - A framework for the development of cyber protection and resiliency for Rhode Island’s Executive Branch agencies.
 - Steps the State should take to foster the resiliency of State operations.
- Second Report to the Governor – December 1, 2015
 - A framework for economic growth and workforce development in the cybersecurity sector for Rhode Island.
 - Steps the State should take to support the growth of a cybersecurity industry and workforce.

Establish Subcommittees:

- 1. State IT Systems Security Review Subcommittee
 - Led by Scott DePasquale, Subcommittee #1 will focus on the current state of risk management practices, policies, and vulnerabilities to develop an understanding on how to evolve infrastructure security to improve resiliency of network operations and supporting functions.
- 2. Rhode Island National Guard [102nd Network Warfare Squadron(NWS)] Development Subcommittee
 - Led by Colonel James Vartanian, Subcommittee #2 will assess what policy and legislative actions would be required to de-constrain the Rhode Island National Guards role so that the 102nd NWS can protect the State and private sector, outside of its day-to-day duties to assist in training and advice, during a cyber-incident in the State.
- 3. State Police and Forensic Development Subcommittee
 - Led by Colonel Steven O'Donnell, Subcommittee #3 will evaluate the opportunities that exist to elevate forensic capabilities in the State and the role the State Police could play in providing expert assistance to other Statewide and Federal law enforcement agencies, requesting assistance to use in investigations pertaining to the criminal misconduct of computers.
- 4. Information Sharing and Integration Center Development Subcommittee
 - Led by R. Adm. Michael Brown, Subcommittee #4 will consider the opportunity to stand up a larger Center of Excellence and the functions the center will serve. If this is possible, it will provide a catalyst for an eco-system that develops jobs in IT security in Rhode Island.
- 5. Workforce Development and Skills Training Subcommittee
 - Led by Molly Magee, Subcommittee #5 will focus on how training programs are developed and financed, through both academia and the private sector, to produce an eco-system that develops jobs within a robust cyber industry.

General Discussion on Process, Strategy, and Tactics:

- Voting for the 5 Subcommittees
 - All present Commission members voted *in favor* of the 5 Subcommittees.
- Cybersecurity Commission Resource Toolkit
 - A toolkit of resources will be provided to the Commission members, containing a list of resources and subject matter experts from different backgrounds produced to provide Commission members with expertise and allow subject matter experts to speak before each sub-committee.

Review of Preliminary Timeline and Deliverables:

- The first Rhode Island Cyber Summit will be held at the Naval War College in the War College's historic Mahan Reading Room, located at 686 Cushing Road, Newport, RI 02840 from 8:30 AM – 2:45 PM.
- Following the Cyber Summit, Cybersecurity Commission Meeting #2 will be held at Salve Regina University in Ochre Court, located at 100 Ochre Point Avenue, Newport, RI 02840 from 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM.