COMPLIANCE COMPONENT

DEFINITION	
Name	Inactivity Controls
Description	Inactivity controls protect against unauthorized system usage by disabling an electronic session after a pre-determined time of inactivity.
Rationale	Appropriate inactivity safeguards must be used to protect against unauthorized access to or use of information, data, and software resident on computers, peripheral devices, and storage media or transmitted over communication lines or networks. Inactivity controls are particularly necessary in open offices where there are no walls and many people leave their computers on and available for anyone who happens to walk by.
Benefits	• Protect against unauthorized disclosure • Protect against unauthorized system usage

ASSOCIATED ARCHITECTURE LEVELS	
Specify the Domain Name	Security
Specify the Discipline Name	Technical Controls
Specify the Technology Area Name	Logical Access Controls
Specify the Product Component Name	

COMPLIANCE COMPONENT TYPE	
Document the Compliance Component Type	Guideline
Component Sub-type	

COMPLIANCE DETAIL	
State the Guideline, Standard or Legislation	• To maintain the confidentiality and integrity of information and information systems, users shall lock the system, log-out or invoke a password-protected screen saver before leaving any computer or electronic device unattended. • If there has been no activity on a computer or electronic device for a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, the system shall be electronically locked. Re-establishment of the session shall take place only after the user has renewed access via the proper authentication, such as a password. • While computing , user sessions are locked after specified period of inactivity. - For all users, including those with administrative or system-level privileges, screen lockout will occur after a maximum of 15 minutes of inactivity. - Users will be required to re-authenticate to continue their sessions after screen lockout due to inactivity. -
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Compliance Sources			
Name	National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Computer Security Resource Center (CSRC)	*Website*	http://csrc.nist.gov/
Contact Information	inquiries@nist.gov		
Name	Internal Revenue Service	*Website*	http://www.irs.gov/
Contact Information	SafeguardReports@irs.gov		

KEYWORDS	
List Keywords	Idle, time out, login, screen saver, lockout.

COMPONENT CLASSIFICATION				
Provide the Classification	☐ *Emerging*	☐ *Current*	☐ *Twilight*	☐ *Sunset*
Sunset Date				

COMPONENT SUB-CLASSIFICATION		
Sub-Classification	Date	Additional Sub-Classification Information
☐ *Technology Watch*		
☐ *Variance*		
☐ *Conditional Use*		

Rationale for Component Classification	
Document the Rationale for Component Classification	

Migration Strategy	
Document the Migration Strategy	

Impact Position Statement	
Document the Position Statement on Impact	

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