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Privacy Threshold Analysis for the WebTA and Archive Time Application
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Unique Project Identifier: An EAS OS-059 Application

Introduction: This Privacy Threshold Analysis (PTA) is a questionnaire to assist with determining if a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) is necessary for this IT system. This PTA is primarily based from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) privacy guidance and the Department of Commerce (DOC) IT security/privacy policy. If questions arise or further guidance is needed in order to complete this PTA, please contact your Bureau Chief Privacy Officer (BCPO).

Description of the information system and its purpose: Provide a general description (in a way that a non-technical person can understand) of the information system that addresses the following elements:
The E-Government Act of 2002 defines “information system” by reference to the definition section of Title 44 of the United States Code. The following is a summary of the definition: “Information system” means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information. See: 44. U.S.C. § 3502(8).

a) Whether it is a general support system, major application, or other type of system

The OHRM is responsible for planning, developing, administering and evaluating the human resources management programs of the Department. This enables the Department to acquire and manage a dedicated, diverse, motivated, and highly qualified workforce to accomplish its mission and achieve its goals, while ensuring compliance with pertinent Federal, Office of Personnel Management, Office of Management and Budget, and Department of Labor, policy and administrative mandates.

- WebTA is Kronos Proprietary software – Used to record DOC employee’s time and attendance data. The employees enter their own time and attendance data. The data is transmitted bi-weekly to NFC for employees pay processing.
- ArchiveTime is a data archiving and report application that sits on top of the WebTA 3.8 database so DOC can access past years of historical data (WebTA 4.2, which is in production, only converted 26 prior pay periods of data) for audits and reports.

b) System location

The systems are primarily managed by resources located at the CBS Solution Center in Gaithersburg, MD. The system is physically located at the Federal Aviation Administration Data Center (DOT/FAA/ESC) in Oklahoma City, OK.

c) Whether it is a standalone system or interconnects with other systems (identifying and describing any other systems to which it interconnects)

NIST/Census Commerce Business Solutions (CBS) - NIST uses a supplemental file from WebTA to obtain a labor/cost estimate, and Census uses it to validate accounting against CBS valid accounts as well as with
an interface to import Decennial Census payroll data. NOAA loads timesheet data from files sent from
ships.
National Finance Center (NFC) Payroll System - WebTA collects bi-weekly payroll data from this
input to create and transmit a payroll time and attendance file to NFC, the payroll processor at USDA.
This is a secure SFPT transmission configured and monitored by a WebTA Administrator, with password
maintenance and access provided by NFC. WebFRED-CENSUS receives remote input from WebTA to timesheets via a vendor provided custom
interface from a system called WebFRED. The remote users do not have direct access to WebTA’s
timesheet entry and maintenance functions, so this system replaces it to the extent that the remote offices
need it. This remote system also has assigned and restricted access and is limited to timesheet and code-
related maintenance.

d) The purpose that the system is designed to serve

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e) The way the system operates to achieve the purpose

WebTA is a timekeeping system that stores PII for the purposes of passing information to the NFC
Payroll system. The system collects data daily from user input. This input consists of Work Data,
Leave Data and Dollar Transaction Data.

Work Data consists of weekly (and ultimately, bi-weekly pay period) input of daily labor descriptive
data related to daily work duties. A daily occurrence, consists of a transaction code describing the
nature of the work duty, an accounting code for where the financial system will charge this time and
the actual time worked. It is also possible to include a clock time range worked within each work day.
There may be multiple occurrences of work data in a given pay period, and multiple occurrence of
work data in a given day.

Leave Data includes weekly (ultimately, bi-weekly pay period) input of daily time off and time off
award data, a transaction code describing the type of leave being taken, an account code to trigger the
correct chargeback in downstream financial systems and actual time taken as leave. There may be
multiple occurrences of work data in a given pay period, and multiple occurrences of leave data in a
given day.

Dollar Transactions include employee requests for reimbursement related to work-incurred expenses.
This includes a transaction code describing the type of expense incurred, an accounting code to charge
this expense and the actual expense amount requested.

This data is collected, maintained and used for payroll generation via downstream system, ad-hoc
research and reporting and leave-related reporting and tracking.
WebTA has its own credential assignment function. Each user receives a unique user ID and password. The password is required to adhere to Federal Identity & Authorization standards. Each user can be assigned a variety of roles that allow varying levels of data access. These permissions range from basic employee-related time and leave entry to Master User and Administrator, who can see and manipulate much larger data populations and affect system administration-type changes to system operational parameters and functions.

WebTA collects bi-weekly payroll data from this input to create and transmit a payroll time and attendance file to NFC, the payroll processor at USDA. This is a secure SFPT transmission configured and monitored by a WebTA Administrator, with password maintenance and access provided by NFC. CENSUS and NIST extract a version of this payroll file via a vendor provided custom process, and upload it to downstream financial systems for budget analysis.

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f) A general description of the type of information collected, maintained, use, or disseminated by the system

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g) Identify individuals who have access to information on the system

Access to WebTA and Archive Time are role based. Security is provided by granting and revoking privileges on a person-by-person and role-by-role basis.

WebTA – It is the responsibility of the WebTA Security Officers/Timekeepers to keep a record of all WebTA accesses that they granted resulting from the SHRO’s established enter-on-duty procedures.

Archive Time – It is the responsibility of the Archive Time Security Officers to keep a record of the HR employees they provided system access to. Information to be recorded include: name, user ID, date access was granted, and the level of access. This record must be made available to the Office of Human Resources Management, auditors, and other authorized persons upon request.

For both applications, contractors at the CSC have access to the underlying servers and databases for administrative support. Server administrators and DBAs do not have access to the application.

h) How information in the system is retrieved by the user

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All other department users can print reports containing only data that is allowed by their role within all of WebTA and ArchiveTime. It is the responsibility of the users to handle printed media in accordance with...
established policies/procedures/rules of behavior and governmental record retention regulations of their bureau and DOC. Users can download information, again based on their assigned user role within WebTA and Archive Time, to removable media and it is their responsibility to handle digital media in accordance with established policies/procedures/rules of behavior and governmental record retention regulations of their bureau and DOC.

i) How information is transmitted to and from the system

Information is transmitted across approved encryption protocols such as HTTPS, SSH, and SFTP. Sensitive data transmissions are encrypted according to NIST 800-18, Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 186, Digital Signature Standard and FIPS 180-1, and Secure Hash Standard issued by NIST when necessary.
Questionnaire:

1. Status of the Information System

1a. What is the status of this information system?

____ This is a new information system. Continue to answer questions and complete certification.

____ This is an existing information system with changes that create new privacy risks. Complete chart below, continue to answer questions, and complete certification.

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____ This is an existing information system in which changes do not create new privacy risks, and there is not a SAOP approved Privacy Impact Assessment. Continue to answer questions and complete certification.

____ This is an existing information system in which changes do not create new privacy risks, and there is a SAOP approved Privacy Impact Assessment (version 01-2015 or 01-2017). Continue to answer questions and complete certification.

X This is an existing information system in which changes do not create new privacy risks, and there is a SAOP approved Privacy Impact Assessment (version 01-2019 or later). Skip questions and complete certification.

1b. Has an IT Compliance in Acquisitions Checklist been completed with the appropriate signatures?

____ Yes. This is a new information system.

____ Yes. This is an existing information system for which an amended contract is needed.

____ No. The IT Compliance in Acquisitions Checklist is not required for the acquisition of equipment for specialized Research and Development or scientific purposes that are not a National Security System.

____ No. This is not a new information system.
2. Is the IT system or its information used to support any activity which may raise privacy concerns?

NIST Special Publication 800-53 Revision 4, Appendix J, states “Organizations may also engage in activities that do not involve the collection and use of PII but may nevertheless raise privacy concerns and associated risk. The privacy controls are equally applicable to those activities and can be used to analyze the privacy risk and mitigate such risk when necessary.” Examples include, but are not limited to, audio recordings, video surveillance, building entry readers, and electronic purchase transactions.

___ Yes. *(Check all that apply.)*

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___ No.

3. Does the IT system collect, maintain, or disseminate business identifiable information (BII)?

As per DOC Privacy Policy: “For the purpose of this policy, business identifiable information consists of (a) information that is defined in the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) as "trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person [that is] privileged or confidential." (5 U.S.C.552(b)(4)). This information is exempt from automatic release under the (b)(4) FOIA exemption. "Commercial" is not confined to records that reveal basic commercial operations" but includes any records [or information] in which the submitter has a commercial interest” and can include information submitted by a nonprofit entity, or (b) commercial or other information that, although it may not be exempt from release under FOIA, is exempt from disclosure by law (e.g., 13 U.S.C.).”

___ Yes, the IT system collects, maintains, or disseminates BII.

___ No, this IT system does not collect any BII.

4. Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

4a. Does the IT system collect, maintain, or disseminate PII?

As per OMB 17-12: “The term PII refers to information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity either alone or when combined with other information that is linked or linkable to a specific individual.”

___ Yes, the IT system collects, maintains, or disseminates PII about:* *(Check all that apply.)*

___ DOC employees
___ Contractors working on behalf of DOC
___ Other Federal Government personnel
___ Members of the public

___ No, this IT system does not collect any PII.
If the answer is “yes” to question 4a, please respond to the following questions.

4b. Does the IT system collect, maintain, or disseminate Social Security numbers (SSNs), including truncated form?

___ Yes, the IT system collects, maintains, or disseminates SSNs, including truncated form.

Provide an explanation for the business need requiring the collection of SSNs, including truncated form.

Provide the legal authority which permits the collection of SSNs, including truncated form.

___ No, the IT system does not collect, maintain, or disseminate SSNs, including truncated form.

4c. Does the IT system collect, maintain, or disseminate PII other than user ID?

___ Yes, the IT system collects, maintains, or disseminates PII other than user ID.

___ No, the user ID is the only PII collected, maintained, or disseminated by the IT system.

4d. Will the purpose for which the PII is collected, stored, used, processed, disclosed, or disseminated (context of use) cause the assignment of a higher PII confidentiality impact level?

Examples of context of use include, but are not limited to, law enforcement investigations, administration of benefits, contagious disease treatments, etc.

___ Yes, the context of use will cause the assignment of a higher PII confidentiality impact level.

___ No, the context of use will not cause the assignment of a higher PII confidentiality impact level.

If any of the answers to questions 2, 3, 4b, 4c, and/or 4d are “Yes,” a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) must be completed for the IT system. This PTA and the SAOP approved PIA must be a part of the IT system’s Assessment and Authorization Package.
CERTIFICATION

X ___ I certify the criteria implied by one or more of the questions above apply to the WebTA-ArchiveTime and as a consequence of this applicability, I will perform and document a PIA for this IT system.

_____ I certify the criteria implied by the questions above do not apply to the WebTA-ArchiveTime and as a consequence of this non-applicability, a PIA for this IT system is not necessary.

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