GSA Approves Lockheed Martin To Provide End-To-End HSPD-12 Solution

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) has approved Lockheed Martinas capable of offering federal agencies a complete end-to-end solution for timely compliance with Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD-12). The presidential mandate will create a standard biometric identification card for all federal workers, ensuring maximum protection of important governmental assets.

"When it comes to allowing access to key government resources and infrastructure, the bar cannot be set too high," said Carlaine Blizzard, vice president, Lockheed Martin Transportation and Security Solutions. "Lockheed Martin's solution rests on reliable, sophisticated identification and access management technology that can be deployed quickly in order to meet the HSPD- 12 deadline."

Lockheed Martin successfully demonstrated its BioUnique(TM) Identity Framework for government agencies as part of a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, Md. The BioUnique(TM) modular solution accurately captures a variety of personal identification information and creates an unalterable audit trail for every credential that's processed. Approval from the GSA authorizes Lockheed Martin to supply services and products related to integration, activation and finalization, card management and production, enrollment and registration, and systems infrastructure.

"The bottom line is that agencies have options with Lockheed Martin," said Jon Rambeau, Lockheed Martin's director of Credentialing and Law Enforcement Solutions. "Given GSA approval and our modular BioUnique(TM) Framework solution, we have the ability to give agencies exactly what they need to reach compliance."

The company implemented a flexible business model approach to HSPD-12 product and service procurement. Federal agencies can select individual products or services -- or Lockheed Martin's full end-to-end solution framework. Additionally, smaller agencies may elect to participate in a managed service agreement encompassing multiple agencies, leveraging volume purchase power.

"We've leveraged a strong history of developing modular, scalable products for the law enforcement and commercial sectors, technology that has allowed these customers to fulfill truly challenging program requirements and directly relates to the parameters outlined in HSPD-12," Rambeau continued. "This solid foundation is fundamental as we move forward to help government agencies satisfy the mandate."

Lockheed Martin designed, developed, deployed and maintains the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS), the world's largest law enforcement and criminal history database. Containing more than 500 million fingerprints, the IAFIS system has trimmed the time it takes to identify criminals from days to only minutes. Additionally, as the lead systems integrator on Verified Identity Pass, Inc.'s Registered Traveler program, currently in operation at Orlando International Airport, Lockheed Martin is responsible for the enrollment, biometrics capture, and access control systems that give credentialed individuals expedited access through airport security checkpoints.

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