

Today's Presentation

- Where we are today
- Industry cybersecurity principles and guidance
- Key 2017 cybersecurity projects
- Take-away points



Summary of Where We Are Today

- Focused on protecting the District and our customers from a cyber breach (attack)
- Strong "defense in depth" approach
- Employees are key to our success
- Emphasis on training and doing even more



Overview

Our goal:

Relentlessly protect customers and District assets against cybersecurity risks

Our reality:

It's not easy to do – a simple click on the wrong link can make us vulnerable



Our Approach

- Defense in depth
 - Deploy many techniques simultaneously
- Active in industry groups
 - Gain knowledge of current best practices
- Trained users
 - Employee cyber awareness training



Categories of Focus

- 1. Protecting:
- Control systems for reliability
- Business systems to ensure ability to operate
- Customer and employee data against compromise
- 2. Employing industry guidance to advance our abilities



Industry Principles

- Executive management must champion cybersecurity efforts
- Cybersecurity programs and policies need to be documented and maintained
- 3. Enterprise, not just departmental, cybersecurity programs are essential
- Have a plan to respond to cybersecurity incidents before they happen



Industry Principles

- 5. Communicate policies and risks to Board and executive management
- Develop and maintain an effective cybersecurity staff
- 7. Build public-private partnerships for information sharing



Industry Principles

- 8. Implement a cybersecurity awareness, communication and education strategy
- 9. Use external resources to periodically assess the cybersecurity program and risks
- Develop and maintain secure systems & design processes



Additional Industry Guidance

- North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Standards
 - Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) Standards
 - Cybersecurity requirements for the District's critical infrastructure
 - > Physical security for the District's critical infrastructure
- 20 Critical Security Controls
 - Threat based methodology developed by industry and government consortium

Examples of How We Apply the Principles and Guidance

- General Manager "All Employee" communication emphasizing importance and every employee's responsibility for cybersecurity
- Employee awareness training and phishing exercises
- Separation of business and operations systems "air gap"
- Insurance protection against loss of customer information

Examples of How We Apply the Principles and Guidance

- Compliance program for NERC and CIP cybersecurity standards
- Eight District-wide policies that include cybersecurity requirements
- Established authority for IT Manager to shut down system if there is a sign of attack
- Cross-functional cybersecurity working group meets monthly



Examples of How We Apply the Principles and Guidance

- Created industry expertise connections with Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) and Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC)
- Conduct independent penetration testing
- Protect customer and employee data through encryption, "Red Flags" Committee, specific policies, etc.



Key 2017 Project

- Cybersecurity capability maturity model (C2M2)
 - Department of Energy sponsored program specific to the utility industry
 - Pacific Northwest National Laboratories (PNNL) to assist in training and assessment
 - Evaluation may identify future staffing and technology requirements



C2M2

Asset, Change, Identity and Threat and Risk and ACM MM S Vulnerability Access Management Configuration Management Management Management Event and Supply Chain Information Incident and External Situational EDM သွ SA ĸ Response, Sharing and Awareness Dependencies Communications Continuity of Management Operations · Domains are logical groupings of Cybersecurity cybersecurity practices Workforce CPM M Program Management Each domain has an acronym that cross Management references with the evaluation toolkit

Anticipated Areas for Maturity

Internet traffic analysis tool

- Pilot study
- Automated collection and analysis of the District's outgoing internet perimeter traffic
- 24x7 security event analysis & notifications



Anticipated Areas for Maturity

Network security response simulation

- Conduct with the Washington State Military Department (National Guard)
- District team will work to contain "attack"
- Debrief conducted with National Guard personnel to enhance District cyber resilience



Take-Away Points

- Focused on protecting the District and our customers from a cyber attack
- Strong "defense in depth" approach
- Employees are key to our success
- Emphasis on training and doing even more
- Formal risk-based approach for 2017

Questions?

