

July 15, 2010 NIST Smart Grid Privacy Subgroup Meeting Notes

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Next full group teleconference meeting:

TENTATIVE: Thursday, August 5, 2010 at 11:00am est

Here are my summary notes from today's meeting:

Those on the call: Brent, Sandy, Klaus and Rebecca

1) Discussed current status, review activities and planned schedule for NISTIR 7628 v1 publication

- Tanya was in training today and could not attend the meeting. She passed along the following update for me to share with the group:

The draft of the NISTIR is in the hands of the internal reviewers. Once both of these reviewers weigh in, it goes to the Laboratory reviewer. Once it passes that person it goes to the WERB (Washington Editorial Review Board) folks. (I believe WERB is a NIST-only review board.) They meet every Wednesday, so it is never a long wait to get onto their schedule. They will either approve it, or approve it pending suggested changes. It becomes a "final" document once the WERB signs off on it. The final version should be posted publicly within a few days of approval. (It sometimes takes a day or so for us to hear the results, the Web master has to post it, etc.)

- Sandy noted that, based upon her experience, it will likely take at least a couple of weeks to get through the first couple of reviews before getting to the WERB.

2) Discussed disposition

- We will go with how the current draft (sent this morning) is written.
- **TO-DO: If any group members have any concerns or would like to suggest changes, send them to the mail list as soon as possible!**

3) Discussed continuing privacy chapter work

- Here is the list of additions I've compiled so far for consideration to add to the privacy chapter:
 - Add more privacy use cases
 - Address smart grid privacy issues for businesses
 - Add more energy regulations/laws and privacy laws to the appendix
 - Add more discussion of opt-in versus opt-out: what real choices are possible to allow Smart Grid functioning and what is not?
 - Expand upon and discuss data collection endpoints/paths (e.g., private internetworks, storage media devices, etc.) that will be part of the Smart Grid

- Certifying Smart Grid entities, devices, software, etc. as being privacy friendly and the associated metrics
- Recommending awareness and training activities, including information to share with the public
- Other...?
- Brent will listen at the outreach meetings he attends to see if privacy is mentioned. Those outreach meetings should turn up some good topics to consider adding.
- Sandy reported the architecture group is taking hiatus and is putting off plans for their future chapter changes until August 5 and will make decisions after hearing what Annabelle says at the Monday CSWG meetings which will continue to take place.
- Privacy group members can always post to the mail list any suggestions they have for additions.

4) Determined when to resume weekly meetings

- Based upon what the other groups are doing, we decided not to have any more weekly privacy group meetings in July while the NISTIR reviews are taking place.
- *Since we did not have a quorum, if anyone feels there is a reason to have a meeting before then, please share your thoughts with the group via the mail list.*
- We will tentatively meet again on August 5.
- ***TO-DO: Everyone, until then, please continue to communicate Smart Grid privacy news, concerns, incidents, and anything else you discover that may be helpful for our continuing work.***

We finished at 13 minutes past the hour.

Thanks,

Rebecca