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To Cybersecurity Framework Stakeholders;

Today, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) published the final Version 1.1 of the *Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure* Cybersecurity (Framework). Among other refinements and enhancements, the document provides a more comprehensive treatment of identity management and additional description of how to manage supply chain cybersecurity. Additional details about Version 1.1 are available in the NIST Fact Sheet (https://www.nist.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2018/04/12/fact_sheet-cybersecurity_framework_v1-1.pdf)

The Version 1.1 update process began in December 2015 and is a product of significant stakeholder comments and discourse. This included over 200 written comments regarding the two draft publications and dialog with over 1,200 participants at the 2016 and 2017 annual Framework workshops. NIST thanks all reviewers for their written comments, discussion and input into the update.

Publication of the final Version 1.1 concludes this first-ever update of the Framework. However, the Framework remains a living document. To ensure understanding of the periodic Framework update process, NIST will publish the "Cybersecurity Framework Update Process" at www.nist.gov/cyberframework later this week.

Certain topics surfaced during the Version 1.1 update process that were beyond the scope of the envisioned minor update or required more development and discussion before they could be included in the Framework document. The stakeholder community will continue processing topics such as cybersecurity vocabulary and measuring the cost effectiveness of cybersecurity at the upcoming NIST Cybersecurity Risk Management Conference (a re-title of the annual Cybersecurity Framework workshop to better reflect the broad range of cybersecurity risk management topics that are typically discussed).

The NIST CRM Conference will take place in Baltimore, Maryland, on November 6-8, 2018 (location to be announced at www.nist.gov/cyberframework in Spring 2018). This three-day, three-track conference will be a forum for participants to discuss the Framework, topics from the Roadmap for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/related-efforts-roadmap), and related cybersecurity risk management topics by sharing experiences and best practices. NIST looks forward to continued collaboration at that event.

Thank you,

The NIST Cybersecurity Framework Team