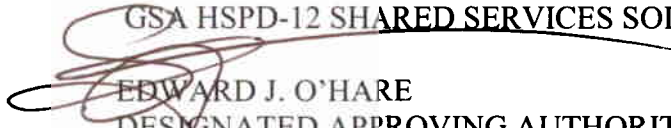




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MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL P. BUTLER
PCI MANAGER
GSA HSPD-12 SHARED SERVICES SOLUTION (USACCESS)

FROM:  EDWARD J. O'HARE
DESIGNATED APPROVING AUTHORITY (DAA)
ACTING CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER
GSA FEDERAL ACQUISITION SERVICE

Subject: GSA HSPD-12 SHARED SERVICES SOLUTION (USACCESS)
PIV CARD ISSUER (PCI) FACILITY ACCREDITATION DECISION

An assessment of the GSA HSPD-12 Shared Services Solution located at the Chesterfield, VA infrastructure facility and the Chantilly, VA card production facility was conducted in accordance with National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-79, *Guidelines for the Certification and Accreditation of Personal Identity Verification (PIV) Card Issuing Organizations*. My staff reviewed the results of the assessment and supporting documentation in the certification package.

Based on the information provided in the certification package, I have determined that the PCI's plan and procedures and capabilities are in compliance with NIST SP 800-79, and the Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Publication 201 (as amended). Accordingly, I am issuing an Authorization to Operate (ATO) the PCI's services in its existing or specified operating environment. The PCI is accredited without any significant restrictions or limitations. This accreditation is my formal declaration that adequate attributes are being exhibited by the PCI; a satisfactory level of capability and reliability is present, and that the PCI is expected to maintain this capability, reliability, and operational status for at least the next three years or until a major change is made to its operation.

This Accreditation and ATO will remain in effect as long as: (i) the associated NIST SP 800-37 compliant Certification and Accreditation package is submitted to this office within thirty (30) calendar days; (ii) the problems identified in the PCI Corrective Action Plan are resolved in accordance with the due dates in the plan; and (iii) the capability and reliability of the PCI is re-accredited within three (3) years or when a significant change to the PCI process occurs..

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A copy of this letter with all supporting Certification and Accreditation documentation will be maintained by this office, and submitted to the GSA Office of the Senior Agency Information Security Officer (SAISO).

CC:
GSA Senior Agency Information Security Official