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Privacy Impact Assessment for the Building, Asset, & Property Management (BAPM)

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U.S. Department of Commerce Privacy Impact Assessment USPTO Building, Asset, & Property Management (BAPM)

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Introduction: System Description

Provide a brief description of the information system.

The Building, Asset, & Property Management (BAPM) is a United States Patent and Trademark System (USPTO) master system that is composed of four (4) Property & Facility Management (P&FM) components that operate independently:

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) – is an Enterprise-Level asset tracking solution that aims to reduce the inventory management burden of asset management while increasing asset visibility of critical assets and improved inventory accuracy;

Property & Facility Scheduling (PFS) – consist of two schedulers, FLU Shot and RoomRez are applications used for booking meeting rooms and scheduling flu shot appointments at United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO);

Emergency Notification System (ENS) – is a network-based emergency notification system which provides rapid dissemination of emergency messages to USPTO personnel; and

Warehouse File Tracking System (WFTS) – is a tracking program used by USPTO to track the location of each patent and trademark file as it is transported.

Address the following elements:

(a) Whether it is a general support system, major application, or other type of system

General Support System

(b) System location

Alexandria, VA

(c) Whether it is a standalone system or interconnects with other systems (identifying and describing any other systems to which it interconnects)

Enterprise Software Services (ESS): is a major application and provides an architecture capable of supporting current software services at USPTO. ESS includes USPTOs Active Directory (AD) which hosts USPTO employee and contractor data.

Enterprise Unix Services (EUS): is a General Support System with a purpose of providing a LINUX base hosting platform to support other information systems at USPTO. The system supports the underlying operating system (OS), OS patching and updates, and OS level baseline compliance.

Enterprise Windows Servers (EWS): is an Infrastructure Information System, and provides a basic hosting platform for major applications that support various USPTO missions. Data is generally owned by the application not the platform. The USPTO facilities are leased by the General Services Administration (GSA) from LCOR, Incorporated. The facility that houses the EWS components is equipped with physical and environmental protective measures that ensure ongoing operation.

Information Delivery Product (IDP): is a master system composed of the following three subsystems: Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDW), Electronic Library for Financial Management System (EL4FMS), and Financial Enterprise Data Management Tools (FEDMT). EDW provides tool that allows managers and analysts to analyze business processes, resource use and needs, and other facets of the business. EL4FMS provides access to USPTO financial-related documents to support the decision-making activities of managers and analysts. FEDMT is a database/user interface solution utilizing the Oracle APEX product to build small applications to support Financial Reference data.

Security and Compliance Services (SCS): provides Security Incident and Event Management, Enterprise Forensic, Enterprise Management System, Security and Defense, Enterprise Scanner, Enterprise Cybersecurity Monitoring Operations, Performance Monitoring Tools, Dynamic Operational Support Plan, & Situational Awareness and Incident Response.

Network and Security Infrastructure (NSI): facilitates the communications, secure access, protective services, and network infrastructure support for all USPTO applications.

Service Management Platform (SMP): is a Software as a Service (SaaS) cloud-based Information Technology Services Management (ITSM) Major Application that provides a single system of record for IT services, operations, and business management by automating IT service applications and processes.

Identity Management Authenticator (ID-AUTH): supports the physical protection of an organization's personnel, assets, and facilities. ID-Auth is automated control physical access systems that support security management processes and access to the USPTO facility.

Patent Capture and Application Processing System - Examination Support (PCAPS-ES): provides processing, transmitting, and the storing of data and images to support the data-capture and conversion requirements of the USPTO patent application process.

(d) The way the system operates to achieve the purpose(s) identified in Section 4

BAPM is for federal employees and contractors to help with administrative matters by creating platforms where employees are notified of emergencies, track business-related schedules, and track business continuity for updates as necessary. The way each component operates to achieve its purpose is described below:

RFID: Select USPTO employees and contractor have access to the RFID system. The employee goes to the web application and log in via username and password. The users are then able to navigate the site to upload scan data from handheld scanners and then can move it to the USPTO integration of ServiceNow. The USPTO employees are able to view their account information and update their passwords as required or needed.

PFS: All USPTO employees and contractors can access PFS via the USPTO website. The employee can submit a request to schedule a flu shot or request a room reservation. The user's information is managed via ESS and active directory.

ENS: Select USPTO employees and contractors are able to access the ENS ad-hoc site through username and password. The employees are able to navigate the site where they can send out notification regarding emergencies that may impact all USPTO employees or select employees based on their duty station.

WFTS: Select USPTO employees are able to access this program file. The individuals access the program to track warehouse file locations.

(e) How information in the system is retrieved by the user

<u>RFID</u>:. The subcomponent is available to USPTO employees and contractors users after authentication into the assets. Data is pushed collected from the ItemAware application servers, database servers, and internal web server and pushed to ServiceNow.

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<u>PFS</u>: PFS is only accessible internally within USPTO intranet. USPTO employees and contractors can navigate to the PFS scheduling site to book appoints or view and manage previous bookings.

ENS: The subcomponent can only be accessed by assigned ENS AtHoc privileged users. The forty (40) privileged users also known as ENS AtHoc operators navigate to the Blackberry AtHoc site to send emergency notifications to all USPTO employees and contractors when needed. ENS AtHoc End-users can only receive notifications. End-users cannot access the ENS AtHoc site.

<u>WFTS</u>: This subcomponent can be accessed by the USPTO Warehouse Supervisor's GFE as a program file that requires installation from the service desk. WFTS users do not have the capability to view content of these scanned physical files or locations of the physical files within the application itself. The transmitted data is only seen within Patents system, PALM-FOS; PALM-FOS storage functions are outside of the WFTS assessment scope.

(f) How information is transmitted to and from the system

Information is transmitted to and from BAPM's components via the internal USPTO network. All BAPM component applications and respective servers exist on the enterprise internal network. The personally identifiable information (PII) within BAPM, is transmitted from ESS component Active Directory (AD) and the IDP's subsystem Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDW). This information is gathered from employee's when they onboard with the agency.

(g) Any information sharing

ENS: The information collected is shared internally among agency emergency management personnel.

- (h) The specific programmatic authorities (statutes or Executive Orders) for collecting, maintaining, using, and disseminating the information
- 35 USC Part I; Federal Continuity Directive-1 (FCD-1)
- (i) The Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199 security impact category for the system

Moderate

Section 1: Status of the Information System

1.1	Indicate whether the information system is a new or existing system.	
	⊠ This is a new information system.	
	\Box This is an existing information system with changes that create new privacy risks. (Changes that create new privacy risks.)	eci
	all that apply.)	

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Changes That Create New Privacy Risks (CTCNPR)

Work-Related Data (WRD)					
a. Occupation		e. Work Email Address	\boxtimes	i. Business Associates	
b. Job Title		f. Salary		j. Proprietary or Business Information	
c. Work Address		g. Work History		k. Procurement/contracting records	
d. Work Telephone Number		h. Employment Performance Ratings or other Performance Information			
l. Other work-related data	(specif	(y):			
Distinguishing Features/Bio	ometri	ics (DFB)			
a. Fingerprints		f. Scars, Marks, Tattoos		k. Signatures	
b. Palm Prints		g. Hair Color		l. Vascular Scans	
c. Voice/Audio Recording		h. Eye Color		m. DNA Sample or Profile	
d. Video Recording		i. Height		n. Retina/Iris Scans	
e. Photographs		j. Weight		o. Dental Profile	
p. Other distinguishing feat	ures/b	iometrics (specify):			
System Administration/Aud	lit Dat	a (SAAD)			
a. User ID	\boxtimes	c. Date/Time of Access		e. ID Files Accessed	
b. IP Address		f. Queries Run		f. Contents of Files	
g. Other system administra	tion/a	udit data (specify):			•
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2.2 Indicate sources of t	he PII	I/BII in the system. (Check	k all t	hat apply.)	
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Other (specify):		Lillan	\boxtimes		
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Government Sources					
Within the Bureau	\boxtimes	Other DOC Bureaus		Other Federal Agencies	
State, Local, Tribal		Foreign			
Other (specify):					

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Non-government Sources					
Public Organizations		Private Sector		Commercial Data Brokers	
Third Party Website or Appli	cation				
Other (specify):					

2.3 Describe how the accuracy of the information in the system is ensured.

The BAPM system is secured by only providing access to authorized users with specific rolebased restrictions, and individuals with access privileges have undergone vetting and suitability screening. For ENS USPTO employees can contractors can optionally provide a personal phone and email to receive emergency notifications. The employees are able to directly go into ENS and make this update. All system related generic error messages are presented to users while detailed debugging error messages are provided to administrators. Error conditions are handled so as not to provide information that could be exploited by adversaries. Using appropriate administrative physical and technical safeguards in accordance with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) security controls (encryption, access control, and auditing). Mandatory IT awareness and role-based training is required for staff who have access to the system and address how to handle, retain, and dispose of data. All access has role-based restrictions and individuals with privileges have undergone vetting and suitability screening. The USPTO maintains an audit trail and performs random, periodic reviews (quarterly) to identify unauthorized access and changes as part of verifying the integrity of administrative account holder data and roles. USPTO employees and contractors are able to review and update the optional PII that is within the BAPM component ENS. All other PII data points in BAPM may be reviewed and updated via the Employee Personal Page or HR Connect. Inactive accounts will be deactivated and roles will be deleted from the application during the quarterly review or upon request.

2.4 Is the information covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act?

	Yes, the information is covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act. Provide the OMB control number and the agency number for the collection.
\boxtimes	No, the information is not covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act.

2.5 Indicate the technologies used that contain PII/BII in ways that have not been previously deployed. (Check all that apply.)

Technologies Used Containing PII/BII Not Previously Deployed (TUCPBNPD)

Smart Cards		Biometrics	
Caller-ID		Personal Identity Verification (PIV) Cards	
Other (specify):			'
There are not any technologies used that or	ntoin D	II/BII in ways that have not been previously deplo	yod
There are not any technologies used that co	maiii r	11/Bit iii ways thathave not been previously deplo	yeu.
Section 3: System Supported Activities			
3.1 Indicate IT system supported activities	es whi	ch raise privacy risks/concerns. (Check all	! that
apply.)			
Activities			
Audio recordings	Ιп	Building entry readers	
Video surveillance		Electronic purchase transactions	
Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text	t.		
☐ There are not any IT system supported a	ctivitie	es which raise privacy risks/concerns.	
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Section 4: Purpose of the System			
4.1 Indicate why the PII/BII in the IT sys	tem is	being collected, maintained, or dissemina	ated
(Check all that apply.)	C111 13	being concered, mantamed, or dissemina	atea.
(Check all that apply.)			
Purpose			
For a Computer Matching Program		For administering human resources programs	
For administrative matters	\boxtimes	To promote information sharing initiatives	
For litigation		For criminal law enforcement activities	
For civil enforcement activities		For intelligence activities	
To improve Federal services online		For employee or customer satisfaction	
For web measurement and customization		For web measurement and customization	
technologies (single-session)		technologies (multi-session)	
Other (specify):			

Section 5: Use of the Information

5.1 In the context of functional areas (business processes, missions, operations, etc.) supported by the IT system, describe how the PII/BII that is collected, maintained, or disseminated will be used. Indicate if the PII/BII identified in Section 2.1 of this document is in

reference to a federal employee/contractor, member of the public, foreign national, visitor or other (specify).

The PII in BAPM is about federal employees and contractors to help with administrative matters that have to do with employee and business satisfaction by creating platforms where employees are notified of emergencies, and track business-related schedules as necessary.

5.2 Describe any potential threats to privacy, such as insider threat, as a result of the bureau's/operating unit's use of the information, and controls that the bureau/operating unit has put into place to ensure that the information is handled, retained, and disposed appropriately. (For example: mandatory training for system users regarding appropriate handling of information, automatic purging of information in accordance with the retention schedule, etc.)

In the event of computer failure, insider threats, or attack against BAPM by adversarial or foreign entities, any potential PII data stored within the system could be exposed. To avoid a breach, BAPM has certain security controls in place to ensure the information is handled, retained, and disposed of appropriately. Access to individual's PII is controlled through the application, and all personnel who access the data must first authenticate to the system at which time an audit trail is generated when the database is accessed. These audit trails are based on application server out-of-the-box logging reports reviewed by the Information System Security Officer (ISSO) and System Auditor and any suspicious indicators such as browsing will be immediately investigated and appropriate action taken. Also, system users undergo annual mandatory training regarding appropriate handling of information.

NIST security controls are in place to ensure that information is handled, retained, and disposed of appropriately. For example, advanced encryption is used to secure the data both during transmission and while stored at rest. Access to individual's PII is controlled through the application and all personnel who access the data must first authenticate to the system at which time an audit trail is generated when the database is accessed. USPTO requires annual security role based training and annual mandatory security awareness procedure training for all employees. All offices of the USPTO adhere to the USPTO Records Management Office's Comprehensive Records Schedule that describes the types of USPTO records and their corresponding disposition authority or citation.

Section 6: Information Sharing and Access

6.1	Indicate with whom the	bureau intends to	share the	PII/BII in	the IT syste	em and	how the
	PII/BII will be shared.	(Check all that ap	ply.)				

Recipient	How Information will be Shared				
•	Case-by-Case	Bulk Transfer	Direct Access		
Within the bureau			\boxtimes		
DOC bureaus			\boxtimes		
Federal agencies					
State, local, tribal gov't agencies					
Public					
Private sector					
Foreign governments					
Foreign entities					
Other (specify):					
☐ The PII/BII in the system will not be	shared.				

6.2 Does the DOC bureau/operating unit place a limitation on re-dissemination of PII/BII shared with external agencies/entities?

	Yes, the external agency/entity is required to verify with the DOC bureau/operating unit before redissemination of PII/BII.
	No, the external agency/entity is not required to verify with the DOC bureau/operating unit before redissemination of PII/BII.
\boxtimes	No, the bureau/operating unit does not share PII/BII with external agencies/entities.

- 6.3 Indicate whether the IT system connects with or receives information from any other IT systems authorized to process PII and/or BII.
 - Yes, this IT system connects with or receives information from another IT system(s) authorized to process PII and/or BII.

Provide the name of the IT system and describe the technical controls which prevent PII/BII leakage:

ID-AUTH SMP SCS

PCAPS-ES

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	PII/BII.	is the minimum information required for BAPM's purpose.

7.3 Indicate whether and how individuals have an opportunity to consent to particular uses of their PII/BII.

Yes, individuals have an opportunity to consent to particular uses of their PII/BII.	Specify how:
No, individuals do not have an opportunity to consent to particular uses of their PII/BII.	Specify why not: Individuals do not have an opportunity to consent to particular uses of their PII/BII. The information is only collected for one purpose and is required for to ensure USPTO business operations.

7.4 Indicate whether and how individuals have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.

\boxtimes	Yes, individuals have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.	Specify how: USPTO employees and contractors can update their the optional PII they provide within ENS, this information is the personal email and personal phone number, all other data the individuals do not have the opportunity to review/update directly in the BAPM component ENS.
\boxtimes	No, individuals do not have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.	Specify why not: USPTO employees and contractors are not able to update their information directly in BAPM, however they may review and update their PII via their Employee Personal Page or HR Connect.

Section 8: Administrative and Technological Controls

8.1 Indicate the administrative and technological controls for the system. *(Check all that apply.)*

\boxtimes	All users signed a confidentiality agreement or non-disclosure agreement.
\boxtimes	All users are subject to a Code of Conduct that includes the requirement for confidentiality.
\boxtimes	Staff (employees and contractors) received training on privacy and confidentiality policies and practices.
\boxtimes	Access to the PII/BII is restricted to authorized personnel only.
\boxtimes	Access to the PII/BII is being monitored, tracked, or recorded. Explanation: Audit logs
\boxtimes	The information is secured in accordance with the Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) requirements. Provide date of most recent Assessment and Authorization (A&A): 6/11/2024
	This is a new system. The A&A date will be provided when the A&A package is approved.
	The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 199 security impact category for this system is a moderate or higher.
\boxtimes	NIST Special Publication (SP) 800-122 and NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 recommended security controls for protecting PII/BII are in place and functioning as intended; or have an approved Plan of Action and Milestones (POA&M).
\boxtimes	A security assessment report has been reviewed for the information system and it has been determined that there are no additional privacy risks.

\boxtimes	Contractors that have access to the system are subject to information security provisions in their contracts required by DOC policy.
	Contracts with customers establish DOC ownership rights over data including PII/BII.
	Acceptance of liability for exposure of PII/BII is clearly defined in agreements with customers.
	Other (specify):
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8.2	Provide a general description of the technologies used to protect PII/BII on the IT system. (Include data encryption in transit and/or at rest, if applicable).
	within BAPM is secured using appropriate management, operational, and technical eguards in accordance with NIST requirements. Such management controls include a
	view process to ensure that management controls are in place and documented in the stem Security Privacy Plan (SSPP). The SSPP specifically addresses the management,
ope	erational, and technical controls that are in place and planned during the operation of the stem. Operational safeguards include restricting access to PII/BII data to a small subset of
use	ers. All access has role-based restrictions and individuals with access privileges have
	dergone vetting and suitability screening. Data is maintained in areas accessible only to thorized personnel. The system maintains an audit trail and the appropriate personnel is
	rted when there is suspicious activity. Data is encrypted in transit and at rest.
Secti	on 9: Privacy Act
9.1	Is the PII/BII searchable by a personal identifier (e.g, name or Social Security number)?
	⊠ Yes, the PII/BII is searchable by a personal identifier.
	□ No, the PII/BII is not searchable by a personal identifier.
9.2	Indicate whether a system of records is being created under the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C.
	§ 552a. (A new system of records notice (SORN) is required if the system is not covered by an existing SORN).
	As per the Privacy Act of 1974, "the term 'system of records' means a group of any records under the control of any agency from which information is retrieved by the name of the individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual."
\boxtimes	Yes, this system is covered by an existing system of records notice (SORN). Provide the SORN name, number and link (list all that apply).
	Provide the SORN name, number, and link. (list all that apply):
	DEPT-18, Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies
	Yes, a SORN has been submitted to the Department for approval on (date).
	No, this system is not a system of records and a SORN is not applicable.

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Section 10: Retention of Information

10.1 Indicate whether these records are covered by an approved records control schedule and monitored for compliance. (Check all that apply.)

\boxtimes	There is an approved record control schedule.	
_	Provide the name of the record control schedule:	
	Facilities Management Division Files - N1-241-05-1:8b - Temporary: Destroy when 5 years old	
	Facility, space, vehicle, equipment, stock, and supply administrative and operational records GRS 5.4:010-Temporary. Destroy when 3 years old or 3 years after superseded.	
	Employee Health and Safety Records -GRS 2.7:010 -Temporary. Destroy when 3 years old,	
	Continuity and Emergency Planning Records - Employee emergency contact information GRS 5.3: 020 - Temporary. Destroy when superseded or obsolete, or upon separation or transfer of employee	
	General Technology Management Records - Information technology operations and maintenance records – GRS 3.1:020 - Including System logs – Temporary: Destroy 3 years after (See GRS for cutoff instructions).	
	No, there is not an approved record control schedule. Provide the stage in which the project is in developing and submitting a records control schedule:	
\boxtimes	Yes, retention is monitored for compliance to the schedule.	
	No retention is not manitored for compliance to the schoolule. Dravide avalenation	
	No, retention is not monitored for compliance to the schedule. Provide explanation:	

10.2 Indicate the disposal method of the PII/BII. (Check all that apply.)

Disposal		
Shredding	Overwriting	
Degaussing	Deleting	\boxtimes
Other (specify):		

Section 11: NIST Special Publication 800-122 PII Confidentiality Impact Level

11.1 Indicate the potential impact that could result to the subject individuals and/or the organization if PII were inappropriately accessed, used, or disclosed. (*The PII*

Confidentiality Impact Level is not the same, and does not have to be the same, as the Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199 security impact category.)

\boxtimes	Low—the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have a limited adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.
	Moderate – the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have a serious adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.
	High – the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have a severe or catastrophic adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.

11.2 Indicate which factors were used to determine the above PII confidentiality impact level. (Check all that apply.)

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\boxtimes	Identifiability	Provide explanation:
		All the PII data points identified in section 2.1, can be used to
		identify an individual.
\boxtimes	Quantity of PII	Provide explanation: There are about 7 PII data points for about
	•	16,000+ individuals within the system. BAPM leverages and
		transmit the following PII: Employee Name and ID, Home
		Address, Work Telephone, and Work Email [LA1] [WJ2] [WJ3].
		Personal Telephone and Email are voluntary.
	Data Field Sensitivity	Provide explanation:
	Data Field Selfstivity	
		BAPM data is general contact information of individuals, though
		the information may include an individual's home address, the
		information stored within BAPM as a whole including home
		address is not overtly sensitive information.
\boxtimes	Context of Use	Provide explanation:
		Information is used to track USPTO information system
		equipment, provide employees with emergency notifications, and
		for employee facility management transactions.
\boxtimes	Obligation to Protect Confidentiality	Provide explanation:
		Based on the data collected USPTO must protect the PII of each
		individual in accordance to the Privacy Act of 1974.
	Access to and Location of PII	Provide explanation:
		Necessary measures must be taken to ensure the confidentiality of
		information during processing, storing and transmission of the
		data. Access controls are used to ensure only authorized personnel
		have access to the system.
	Other:	Provide explanation:

Section 12: Analysis

12.1 Identify and evaluate any potential threats to privacy that exist in light of the information collected or the sources from which the information is collected. Also, describe the choices that the bureau/operating unit made with regard to the type or quantity of information collected and the sources providing the information in order to prevent or mitigate threats to privacy. (For example: If a decision was made to collect less data,

include a discussion of this decision; if it is necessary to obtain information from sources other than the individual, explain why.)

The PII in this system does not pose a risk if exposed. System users undergo annual mandatory training regarding appropriate handling of information. Physical access to servers is restricted to only a few authorized individuals. The servers storing the potential PII are located in a highly sensitive zone within the cloud and logical access is segregated with network firewalls and switches through an Access Control list that limits access to only a few approved and authorized accounts. USPTO monitors, in real-time, all activities and events within the servers storing the potential PII data and personnel review audit logs received on a regular bases and alert the appropriate personnel when inappropriate or unusual activity is identified.

1	2.2	Indicate whether the conduct of this PIA results in any required business process changes.
		Yes, the conduct of this PIA results in required business process changes. Explanation:
	\boxtimes	No, the conduct of this PIA does not result in any required business process changes.
1	2.3	Indicate whether the conduct of this PIA results in any required technology changes.
		Yes, the conduct of this PIA results in required technology changes. Explanation:
	\boxtimes	No, the conduct of this PIA does not result in any required technology changes.