Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority (SVRIA)

Revision to EComm User Agreement & Security Policy

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Executive Summary

At its April 26th meeting, the SVRIA Data Technical Advisory Group, sitting as the EComm Users Group, discussed the revised firewall arrangement which provides primary security on the EComm cloud and leaves each connecting agency responsible for its own security through management of its own firewall.

With this revision in security architecture, the current language in the EComm User Agreement & Security Policy is no longer appropriate insofar as it requires connecting agencies to seek User Group approval of changes to their own firewall. The original and proposed language are shown below.

The Data Technical Advisory Group asks the Working Committee to approve this change to the EComm User Agreement & Security Policy which will then be re-published.

Recommended Change

Section II – EComm Security Policies & Requirements

Hardware

Current Language – The language shown in italics is to be deleted.

3. User Firewall Operation – The user owned firewall or network security device shall be physically separate and independent from any user network security device attached to a public network. The user firewall shall be configured to provide minimum access between the user network and the EComm network which is adequate to support the application(s) being accessed. Management of the user firewall is the responsibility of the user agency; however, changes to the user firewall shall be submitted to and approved by the EComm Users Group.
Proposed Language

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