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Dear

Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act), received by the Financial Services Authority (now succeeded by the Financial Conduct Authority – FCA, for the following information.

"...the disclosure of any material you hold in relation to the Cyber Security government review referred to below (e.g. checklist/documents setting out the scope, purpose or framework of the review/documents setting out areas covered by the review).

The request does not include: (a) the names of the 30 firms; or (b) any information provided by those firms about their Cyber Security measures."

Your request has now been considered and the relevant information is attached.

You might be interested to know that there is some other public information available from the following web page: http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/financialstability/fsc/Pages/resiliencebenchmarking.aspx

If you have any queries then please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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2012 Resilience Benchmarking Participant Information Document

This document provides information for participants in the 2012 Resilience Benchmarking. Please read it fully before taking part.

Background

In 2005 and 2008 the Tripartite Authorities undertook resilience benchmarking which received widespread support and engagement across the sector. Participants benefited from individual results and the wider sector benefited from the publication of the Business Continuity Management Practice Guide (BCMPG) which reported back the standard and leading practices observed in 2005.

Benchmarking in 2012

In 2012 the Authorities are again undertaking resilience benchmarking, this time focusing on the narrower theme of Technology and Cyber Resilience. The theme of technology and cyber resilience was selected based on feedback from the sector which suggested that smaller more focused surveys might yield more useful results and after a review which found the current Corporate Systems section to be most out of date. The objectives of the 2012 benchmarking are to:

- Capture and share technology and cyber resilience practices across the sector with the aim of strengthening its resilience;
- Increase understanding of the sectors' capabilities in relation to technology and cyber resilience;
- Assess the technology and cyber resilience practices of selected organisations and highlight inconsistencies which they should review;
- Update the technology resilience section of the Business Continuity
 Management Practice Guide (BCMPG) replacing it with a section reporting
 technology and cyber resilience practice as observed in participating
 organisations; and
- Identify technology and cyber resilience topics for inclusion in future sector exercises.

In addition to publishing an updated version of the BCMPG, participating organisations will receive a results summary including a high-level anonymised comparison of practices with other participants. It will not provide a detailed analysis or confirmation of the organisation's technology and cyber resilience capability but will summarise the practices reported and some areas where the organisation's responses differ from those of other firms which we recommend it should review.







Approach

Your organisation is one of 30 that have agreed to take part in benchmarking this year.

Based on feedback from the sector, you will be asked to respond to 5 smaller more focused surveys containing 121 questions in total. Within the theme of Technology and Cyber Resilience these surveys will address:

- · Governance, people, organisation and vendor management;
- Critical systems:
- · Critical infrastructure:
- · Incident management; and
- Threat and vulnerability management.

Your role as our contact for your organisation is to provide responses to questions where possible, and to coordinate your organisation's responses where more technical knowledge is required. We anticipate that the majority of questions will be answered by your technical teams.

You can submit your responses as soon as they are ready, but you must have submitted responses to all 5 surveys by 5pm 28 September 2012.





