

<p>IM/IT Architecture & Standards Manual STANDARD</p> <p>Office of the Chief Information Officer Province of British Columbia</p>	<p>Effective Date: 2001-11-16 Scheduled Review: Annual Last Updated: Last Reviewed: 2009-01</p> <p>Type: Technical Standard</p>
<p>4.0 Identity Management (CPPM 12.3.4)</p>	
<p>4.2 Single Identifier for Transacting with Government Electronically</p>	
<p>Keywords:</p>	

Description of Standard

This standard establishes a single identifier (BCeID) for organizations and individuals transacting electronically with government.

A single corporate identification will:

- ensure that any organization can interact with the B.C. Government's online services using a single userid and password; and
- eliminate the duplicate identifiers and enrolments currently in existence.

Where to Apply This Standard

This standard is targeted at electronic service delivery initiatives that are being rolled out by ministries and other government agencies. A key part of that process is a registration service to permit users conducting business-to-government interactions to be authenticated.

Authority and Exemptions

This standard has not yet been fully defined because the OCIO is working to establish a more comprehensive and collaborative process involving broad stakeholder participation for defining, approving, and issuing a common identifier (BCeID) standard and governance process.

If there are compelling business reasons why an organization is unable to comply with this architecture or standard, the organization's CIO may authorize a submission for exemption through the ASB.

Metrics and Enforcement

The intention of the OCIO is to advertise and promote this standard as being mandatory throughout government. However, in order to effectively manage information systems security, ministries and other provincial agencies are expected to adopt and monitor compliance to this standard.

Terms and Definitions

Any IM/IT security terms in this document will be included in a Consolidated Glossary which is under development by the OCIO.

References

A memo from the Government Chief Information Officer (dated November 16, 2001) outlined the intent to establish a single identifier for organizations and individuals transacting electronically with government. A copy of the memo can be found at: http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/local/cio/standards/documents/standards/bceid_memo_20011116.pdf.

Additional Information

The OCIO is the owner of this standard. Its website is at www.cio.gov.bc.ca.

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