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| ASSESSMENT – Base Control, Part 1 of 1 | | |
| Assessment Information from Special Publication 800-53A Rev. 1 (June 2010) | | |
| **PE-4** | ACCESS CONTROL FOR TRANSMISSION MEDIUM | |
| **PE-4.1**  **PE-4.1.1** | **ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVE:**  *Determine if the organization controls physical access to information system distribution and transmission lines within organizational facilities.*  **POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT METHODS AND OBJECTS:**  **Examine**: [*select from:* Physical and environmental protection policy; procedures addressing access control for transmission medium; information system design documentation; facility communications and wiring diagrams; other relevant documents or records]. | |
| **Additional Assessment Case Information** | | |
|  | | **POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT SEQUENCING:**  precursor controls: None  concurrent controls: MA-5, PE-2, PE-3, PE-6, PE-7, PE-8, PE-18, SC-7  successor controls: None |
| **Action Step** | | **Potential Assessor Evidence Gathering Actions**  **\*\*See “**[**Assessment Case Overview**](http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/SMA/fisma/assessment-cases-overview.html)**” for selecting, tailoring and executing action steps\*\*** |
|  | | *\*\*Assessment Case Assessor Note:* More convincing evidence (i.e., greater assurance) of correct implementation and operating as intended can be obtained through the assessment case actions by:   1. **Replacing bracketed values in action gathering statements to apply greater rigor in the assessment** (e.g, . replacing [“*reviewing*”] with “*studying*” or “*analyzing*”; replacing [“*observing*”] with “*inspecting*” or “*analyzing*”; replacing [“*basic*”] with “*focused*” or “*comprehensive*”); 2. **Replacing bracketed values in action gathering statements to apply greater sample coverage in the assessment** (e.g, . replacing [“*basic”*] sample with “*focused*” or “*sufficiently large”* sample); 3. **Defining additional action steps to the list of action steps suggested herein that exercise additional test methods** (i.e., Examine, Interview or Test) on additional assessment objects. |
| **PE-4.1.1.1** | | **Examine** physical and environmental protection policy, procedures addressing access control for transmission medium, security plan, facility communications and wiring diagrams, or other relevant documents; [*reviewing*] for the measures to be employed to control physical access to information system distribution and transmission lines within organizational facilities. |
| **PE-4.1.1.2** | | **Examine** an agreed-upon [*basic*] sample of facility areas containing information system distribution and transmission lines; [*observing*] for evidence that the measures identified in PE-4.1.1.1 are being applied. |
| **PE-4.1.1.3** | | **Examine** information system distribution and transmission lines identified in PE-4.1.1.2; [*observing*] for evidence that the measures identified in PE-4.1.1.1 are being applied. |
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