

## Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)

### **ENTERPRISE POLICY – P3000 TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICIES**

**Category: P3030 – WIDE AREA NETWORKS (WAN)**

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#### **I. AUTHORITY**

Authority: Idaho Code § 67-831 through § 67-833

#### **II. ABSTRACT**

The State of Idaho must continually embrace up-to-date computer networking practices and technology to receive maximum benefit and affordability of services. Wide Area Network (WAN) hardware and services are utilized by virtually every agency and represent a major part of the interagency connectivity. As discussed herein, the WAN spans levels 1-3 of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model and are separate and distinct from OSI levels 4-7.

#### **III. DEFINITIONS**

There are no definitions for this policy.

#### **IV. POLICY**

State agencies are required to use the Department of Administration's statewide hardware and service contracts for WAN services. State agencies shall share systems and services whenever determined feasible and cost effective by the Department of Administration in conjunction with ITA.

The Department of Administration shall establish a review and approval process for installing, upgrading, or enhancing the State's Wide Area Network. The Department of Administration must approve final design specifications, connectivity design and implementation for the State's Wide Area Network.

## **V. EXEMPTION PROCESS**

Refer to [Policy 1010 – Information Technology Policies, Standards, and Guidelines Framework](#).

## **VI. PROCEDURE REFERENCE**

There are no procedure references for this policy.

## **VII. CONTACT INFORMATION**

For more information, contact the ITA Staff at (208) 332-1876.

## **VIII. INTENT**

The Department of Administration shall coordinate and manage for all agencies and institutions statewide:

1. Provisioning of WAN hardware, software and service contracts;
2. Preventive and corrective maintenance; and
3. Reconfiguration of the WAN.

## **REVISION HISTORY**

07/01/18 – Updated Idaho statute references.

07/01/13 – Changed “ITRMC” to “ITA”.

6/15/09 – Added Definitions, Exemption Process, Procedure Reference and Revision History to this policy, changed the layout and deleted Timeline.

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