

Information Security Threats Presentation Notes - 08/06/19

Good morning Scott, thank you for your time Tuesday and inviting Matt and I to come and meet with your group. We really enjoyed the conversation and are happy to follow up with additional discussions and presentations that your group might find helpful. As promised, we are sending along some additional information and some materials that have guidance on information security best practices.

Attached please find the presentation that we reviewed on Tuesday (see the links above). Feel free to distribute it to the group and anyone else that might find it helpful. Additionally, I've attached a Sample Vendor Risk Assessment (see the link above). This is a tool we use with clients to review the vendors they use and the relative risk associated with them. There are likely a few things included that are not pertinent to a specific business so I am happy to field any questions on how to best use the tool.

I've included two links to sites that have a great deal of information on information security. The first is a link to the FTC site in regards to cybersecurity for small businesses. This is an excellent site with valuable information and I encourage you to share with your group. The second link is to a site that has various information security policies (along with others) you can purchase at a very reasonable price (around \$500). They are very comprehensive and likely only need to be tweaked to fit your business and brand. There may be some that are not applicable. Because there are a number of policies, there are few I would suggest you focus on first to get you going including Risk, Security and Awareness training, EMAIL, Incident Response, Phishing, Encryption, Patch Management and Ransomware. We covered these yesterday and I think are the most critical for organizations.

<https://www.ftc.gov/tips-advice/business-center/small-businesses/cybersecurity>

http://www.altiusit.com/policies.htm?gclid=EAIaIQobChMI7bqZt-3u4wIVEz0MCh2wxg3IEAAYAAEgLID_D_BwE

Last, we discussed Cybersecurity insurance. I have attached an article from the WSJ that discusses and describes the types of insurance and what they cover. Note that their reference choice is driven by risk, so it's critical that piece be understood.

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-ins-and-outs-of-cybersecurity-insurance-11559700180>

I realize this is a lot of information. Please take a look and let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you again!

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