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Tidewater Utilities Inc. Cybersecurity Responses

Planning/Risk Management

1. Question: Is your cybersecurity plan regularly reviewed and audited? If yes, it is audited internally or externally?

Response: Yes. It is reviewed both internally and externally.

2. Question: How often is the cybersecurity plan reviewed?

Response: The cybersecurity plan is reviewed at least annually or more frequently as needed.

3. Question: Do you assess vulnerabilities and threats to your system and assets?

Response: Yes.

4. Question: Do you have a documented risks assessment and management program?

Response: Yes.

5. Question: Is cybersecurity addressed differently for IT and OT systems?

Response: Yes.

6. Question: Does your company include in its procurement contract language cybersecurity requirements for IT and OT assets?

Response: Yes.

7. Question: Do you have a documented records retention policy?

Response: Yes.

Personnel and Policies

8. Question: Are background checks being conducted upon hire for those with access to critical system and assets?

Response: Yes.

9. Question: Do you provide internal cyber security training for all employees?

Response: Yes.

10. Question: Do you provide enhanced internal cyber security training for those that are actually in the utility's information technology (IT) and operations technology (OT) networks?

Response: Yes.

11. Question: Are there structural and/or organizational policies and procedures in place that allow the utility to be able to address cybersecurity issues?

Response: Yes.

12. Question: Are there managerial and operational controls in place to ensure compliance with the company's cybersecurity policies and procedures?

Response: Yes.

13. Question: How quickly is access terminated for personnel who leave the company?

Response: No longer than 72 hours.

14. Question: Do you have certain employees who are assigned as cybersecurity personnel? Or is the function outsourced?

Response: Both.

15. Question: Do you have specific practices and policies in place about how your private customer data should be handled? Contingency plans for breach of data?

Response: Yes.

16. Question: Are recovery activities communicated to internal stakeholders and executive and management teams?

Response: Yes.

17. Question: Do you screen vendors and third parties that have access to cyber control systems?

Response: Yes.

18. Question: Have you implemented processes and procedures for identifying and tracking suspicious cyber activity?

Response: Yes.

Standards and Guidelines for Reporting

19. Question: Do you have a disaster recovery plan?

Response: Yes.

20. Question: Do you have separate plans for separate business units in the company?

Response: N/A as Tidewater does not have separate business units.

21. Question: Are you reporting to the necessary state and/or federal agencies in regard to your plan?

Response: Yes.

22. Question: Are response and recovery plans regularly tested?

Response: Yes.

23. Question: Are legal and regulatory requirements regarding cybersecurity, including privacy and civil liberties obligations, understood and managed?

Response: Yes.

24. Question: Do you have a list of contacts for cybersecurity information sharing? (i.e. Federal and state emergency management, law enforcement, national security, or any others?)

Response: Yes.

25. Question: Should the commission create guidelines or regulations to ensure utilities are properly managing cyber security issues?

Response: No.

26. Question: Does your utility use multi-factor identification for system sign on purposes?

Response: Yes.

27. Question: Do you keep audit logs for all remote connection protocols?

Response: Yes.

28. Question: Do you the capability to identify and suspend access of users exhibiting unusual computer activity?

Response: Yes.

29. Question: Have you worked with, or used resources provided by, a federal agency (e.g., ICS-CERT/CSET, DHS C3 Program, FERC Architectural Reviews) to conduct a cybersecurity assessment?

Response: Yes.