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GENERAL SESSION

Panel:

Audit, Mediation and Trust - The Role of Third Parties in the Security Infrastructure

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Company Background:

The purpose of the United States Postal Service is to provide every household and business across the United States with the ability to communicate and conduct business with each other and the world through prompt, reliable, secure and economic services for the collection, transmission and delivery of messages and merchandise. We handle 40% of the world's mail volume. Last year we processed 181 billion pieces of mail and charged the lowest rate in the industrialized world.

Presentation Overview:

Businesses traditionally rely on third parties for transactions, and these third parties are notoriously difficult - if not impossible - to replace with technology. As businesses move onto the Net, the need for trusted third parties grows. Who should they be? What roles should they attempt to fill? And who's doing it now? Our panel is sure to have a few opinions on the matter.

Speaker Background:

Paul Raines has worked with the U.S. Postal Service since 1994. As the Program Manager for the Postal Electronic Commerce Services, he supervises an effort to deploy a national certificate authority and digital notary service under the auspices of the U.S. Postal Service. Prior to the USPS, Mr. Raines was Director of International Standards with Comsat World Systems. In this job he served as a member of the U.S. delegation to the International Telecommunications Union, helping to set satellite communications standards.

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