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## **Cybersecurity Reminders and Resources**

Dear Valued Northrop Grumman Supplier,

We have updated our <u>Cybersecurity Resources for Suppliers</u> to include a short video jointly developed by Northrop Grumman's Global Supply Chain and Cybersecurity organizations. The video provides recommendations and resources related to some of the biggest cybersecurity challenges -- spear phishing schemes, business email compromise and ransomware attacks. Please take the time to view the video and share the link within your company to increase cyber awareness and support Northrop Grumman and our customers as we continue the fight against these challenges.

The Federal Government continues to increase its focus on enforcing cybersecurity requirements. In the fall of last year, DOJ <u>announced</u> a new Civil Cyber-Fraud Initiative focused on pursuing cases against contractors/suppliers "when they fail to follow required cybersecurity standards." Within the last few months, DCMA has announced plans to ask contractors and suppliers to demonstrate that they have System Security Plans, and to extent applicable, Plans of Actions and Milestones, that support their self-assessment scores posted as required by DFARS 252.204-7019/7020.

Given these developments, we would also like to use this opportunity to remind our valued suppliers once again of the importance of continued adherence to your Northrop Grumman contractual requirements related to cybersecurity, including mandatory cyber flowdown clauses. Please pay special attention to the requirements outlined in DFARS clauses 252.204-7009, -7012, -7019, and -7020 as well as Northrop Grumman's "Information Security" clause included in our standard terms and conditions.

Please continue to utilize the Northrop Grumman <u>Cybersecurity Resources for Suppliers</u> to access helpful information and resources. In addition, we encourage you to check out the <u>OUSD CMMC 2.0 page</u> which includes the latest information on the CMMC 2.0 program which is going through the rulemaking process, and a recording of a <u>February 2022 DoD CISO townhall</u> that includes information about various security offerings and resources available to suppliers that may be of interest as you continue to enhance the security of your networks.

Our suppliers are essential to Northrop Grumman meeting our program commitments to our customers. Partnering and sharing best practices better prepares us to mitigate cybersecurity threats and strengthens our collective information security posture across the entire Defense Industrial Base (DIB). Thank you for your continuous support and continued commitment to enhance your company's cybersecurity position.