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SUBJECT: Selection of RFID “Prox” Cards and Building Access/Security Systems as authorized by FY 2010 Epilogue Language

Pursuant to authority granted by SB 190, Section 29, the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of Technology and Information and the Department of Safety and Homeland Security have selected the following hardware and software solution to enable the development and phased implementation of a single-card security access system for all state facilities:

- **Hardware** - HID Global shall be the sole approved provider of RFID “Prox” cards for all new security access systems. OMB, DTI and DSHS jointly determined it is in the best interest of the State to require all new and upgraded card access security systems to migrate to a 13.56MHz contactless card supplied through HID Global’s Corporate 1000 Program. If specific locations continue to require 125kHz cards, dual technology cards supporting 125kHz and 13.56MHz will be approved for purchase.

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1 Section 29. Card Access Security Systems. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law to the contrary, the Office of Management and Budget, Department of Safety and Homeland Security and the Department of Technology and Information shall jointly develop and maintain specifications and standards for card access security systems for all state facilities. Security system communications using State infrastructure will observe enterprise standards and policies as defined by Department of Technology and Information pursuant to 29 Del. C. c. 90C. The specifications and standards shall enable a single-card security solution for all State-owned facilities, require the ability for concurrent central and local administration of card access functions and shall include a registry of approved card readers and associated hardware required to implement card access security systems. It is the intent of this section to authorize Office of Management and Budget, Department of Safety and Homeland Security and Department of Technology and Information to jointly select a single supplier, manufacturer or technology of access cards and security management software for use by all state agencies. The Office of Management and Budget, Department of Safety and Homeland Security and Department of Technology and Information shall develop procedures and standards required for the evaluation and approval of agency requests for new or modified security systems of any type. Before a state agency may install a new security system or modify an existing system, the agency shall obtain the approval of the Office of Management and Budget, Department of Safety and Homeland Security and Department of Technology and Information.
- **Software** – *Pro-Watch* shall be the sole approved security management software for all new security access systems. The Honeywell *Pro-Watch* security management system is currently the de facto standard for State facilities and is deployed in approximately 98 percent of State facilities.

Based on authority and responsibilities established through Section 29, OMB, DTI and DSHS are developing related specifications and standards for building security systems. Additional information pertaining to security systems:

- Existing building access security systems may remain operational as currently configured until they are retired, replaced or upgraded.

- State agencies are required to obtain the approval of OMB, DTI and DSHS prior to the purchase of new security systems and prior to upgrading existing systems. Approval shall be granted through the DTI business case process; information about the process can be found at the following web site:

  http://extranet.dti.state.de.us/services/itic/tools.shtml

- OMB, DTI and DSHS are developing a registry of approved card readers and associated access system hardware. The registry will be maintained on the State’s website for access by all state agencies.