

CYBERSECURITY: ASSESSING THE THREAT, MANAGING THE DOMAIN
SECURE → VIGILANT → RESILIENT

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The Challenges of Assessing the Cyber Risk for the Energy and Utility Industry



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Assessing the Risk Starts by Focusing on What Matters

It starts by understanding who might want to attack, why, and how

Who might attack?

- Cyber criminals
- Hactivists
- Nation states
- Insiders
- Competitors
- Skilled individual hacker

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What are they after?

- Theft of intellectual property / strategic plans
- Financial gain
- Reputation damage
- Business disruption
- Critical infrastructure destruction
- Threats to health and safety

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What tactics might they use?

- Spear phishing, drive-by download
- Software / hardware vulnerabilities
- Third-party compromise
- Multichannel attacks
- Stolen credentials
- Denial of service

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Secure

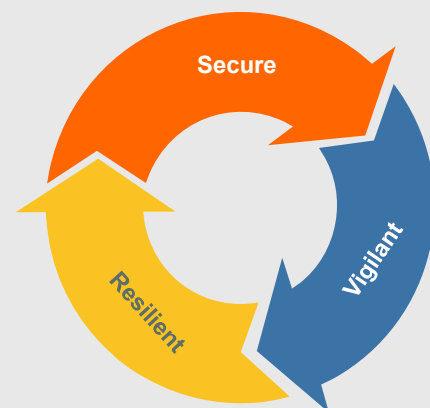
Are controls in place to guard against known and emerging threats?

Vigilant

Can we detect malicious or unauthorized activity, including the unknown?

Resilient

Can we act and recover quickly to minimize impact?



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Cyber Risk Program and Governance

- Governance and operating model
- Policies and standards
- Management processes and capabilities
- Risk reporting
- Risk awareness and culture

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Cyberterrorism



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Cyber Threats to Operational Technology

- Convergence of information technology (IT) / operational technology (OT)
- Adoption of SMART technology
- Alternative payment options
- Compliance versus security
- Supply interdependence



<http://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/upload/cybersecurity-framework-021214.pdf>

The Journey Forward



Robust Resilience Depends on Understanding the Domains

The response involves the coordination of multiple parties



Laws, Regulation, and Public Policy
Who should you contact, what is the escalation process, and what are your liabilities?



Customers and Providers
Who are the suppliers affected or implicated and how best to coordinate?



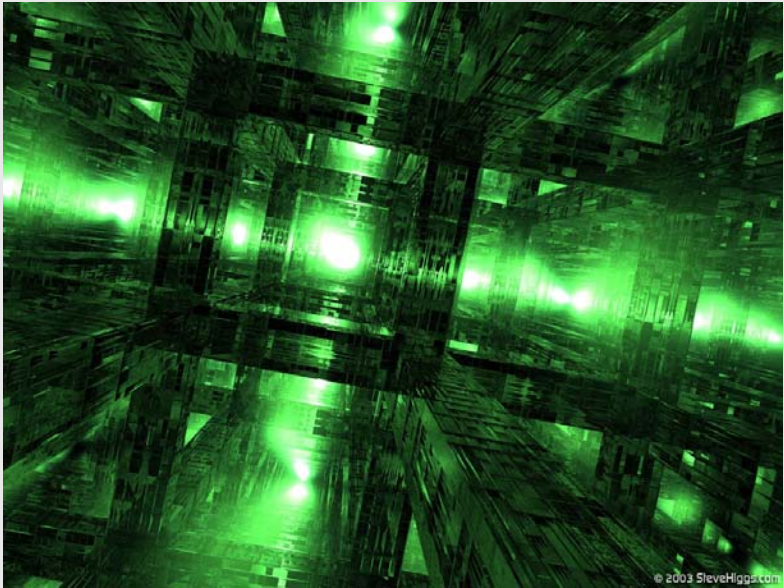
Citizens
What are your obligations and how should you fulfil them and with what frequency?



Media and Public Relations
What should be revealed and when?

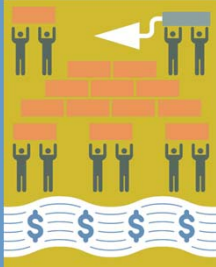


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