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Verifying Operational Effectiveness For Physical Protection Systems

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Let's Set The Stage: What Are We Facing?





Managing Expectations & Security Concerns





Understanding Systemic Vulnerabilities

1. Errors —

- 2. Vulnerabilities-
- 3. Discovered Vulnerabilities
- 4. Disclosed Vulnerabilities -
- 5. Patched Vulnerabilities -



Analyzing The Vulnerability Life Cycle





Applying Cyber Security Principles To PPS



Process Oriented Risk Reduction

Analytics

Computer Security Policies: PPS Life Cycle

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Process Oriented Risk Reduction

Requirements Document

- Cybersecurity and operational performance requirements should be integrated and clearly stated
- This document can be used to define vendor expectations
- This includes clearly defined
 METRICS!!!!
- These requirements become FAT Metrics

Factory Acceptance Testing

- Verify that product meets contract defined security requirements
 - Functionality & Resiliency
- Verify functionality of human-machine interactions & external interfaces

Functional/Pre-Testing At Site

- Random sample of delivered equipment and repeat of FAT
- Quality Assurance
- Not integrated into the overall network

Site Acceptance Testing

- Systems level testing of the new components/sub-system(s) within the overall existing network
- This also includes user acceptance testing to ensure the personnel operating the systems agree with performance and that it meets the delivered system meets the design requirements
 - Visual checks on installation
 - Software integration with other systems, etc.



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Black Box Testing

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- Test simple actions a cyber threat would do to impact digital devices along the critical path
- Focuses on functional security specifications of the specific device and/or subsystem
- Create a set of exercises that encompasses inputs and outputs based on potential adversary actions

Applying Security Controls

- Treat cybersecurity as a human issue, not a technology problem
- 2. Share as much information about lessons learned as permitted
- 3. Deliberate security: Not security by accident and/or DIY Security
- 4. Make security references easier to understand
- 5. Create regulations that support implementation of cybersecurity; not just compliance



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