



**REVISITING COUNTERFEIT, FRAUDULENT,
SUSPECT ITEMS (CFSI)
- AN NRC AGENCY WIDE ASSESSMENT-
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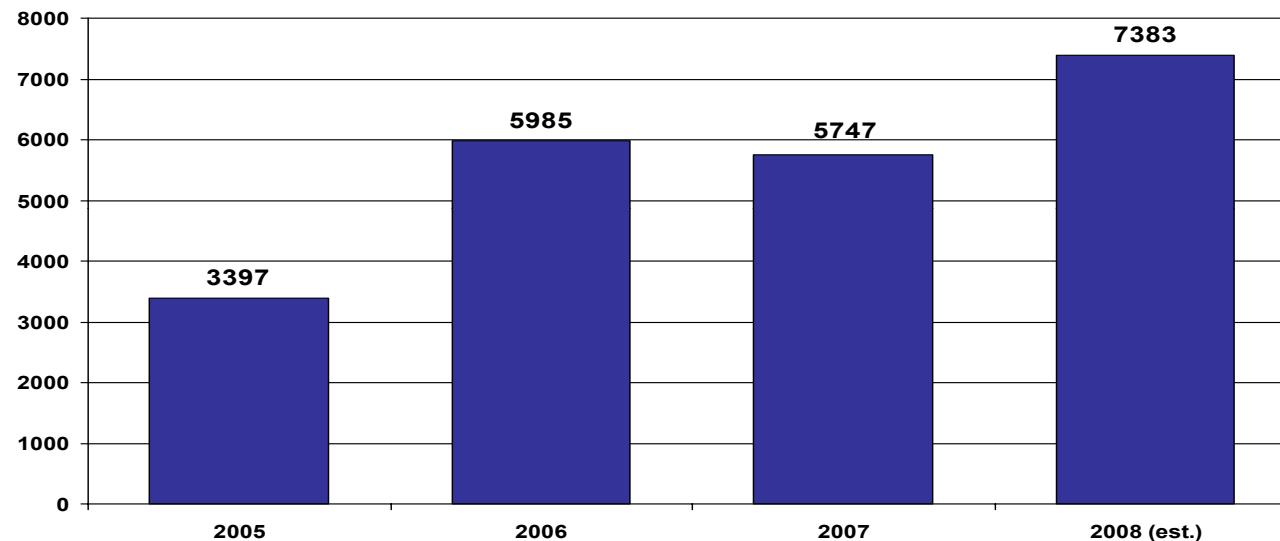
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Total Counterfeit Incidents: OCMs, Distributors, Board Assemblers 2005 - 2008



NOTE: *For NRC regulated activities, there have been no recent reports of CFSI being installed in safety related applications.*



CURRENT FACTORS

1. Material shortages
 - a. obsolescence
 - b. new orders (multiple and simultaneous)
2. Diminishing Appendix B suppliers
 - a. reliance on Commercial Grade Dedication
 - b. increased use of unauthorized distributors
3. Spike in CFSI incidents
 - a. recent “near-misses” in commercial nuclear plants
 - b. counterfeit electronics in the U.S. Department of Defense
 - c. 2010 Joint Strategic Plan on Intellectual Property Enforcement
4. The advent of cyber security
 - a. Critical Digital Assets (firmware/software)
5. Global supply chain
 - a. disengaged suppliers
 - b. focused factories & lean manufacturing
6. Advancing technology
 - a. analog – digital transition
 - b. innovations in micro-circuitry
 - c. proficiency in counterfeiting techniques

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OIG recommends that the Executive Director for Operations:

- 10. Develop and implement a formal agency-wide strategy and plan in order to monitor and evaluate CFSI.**

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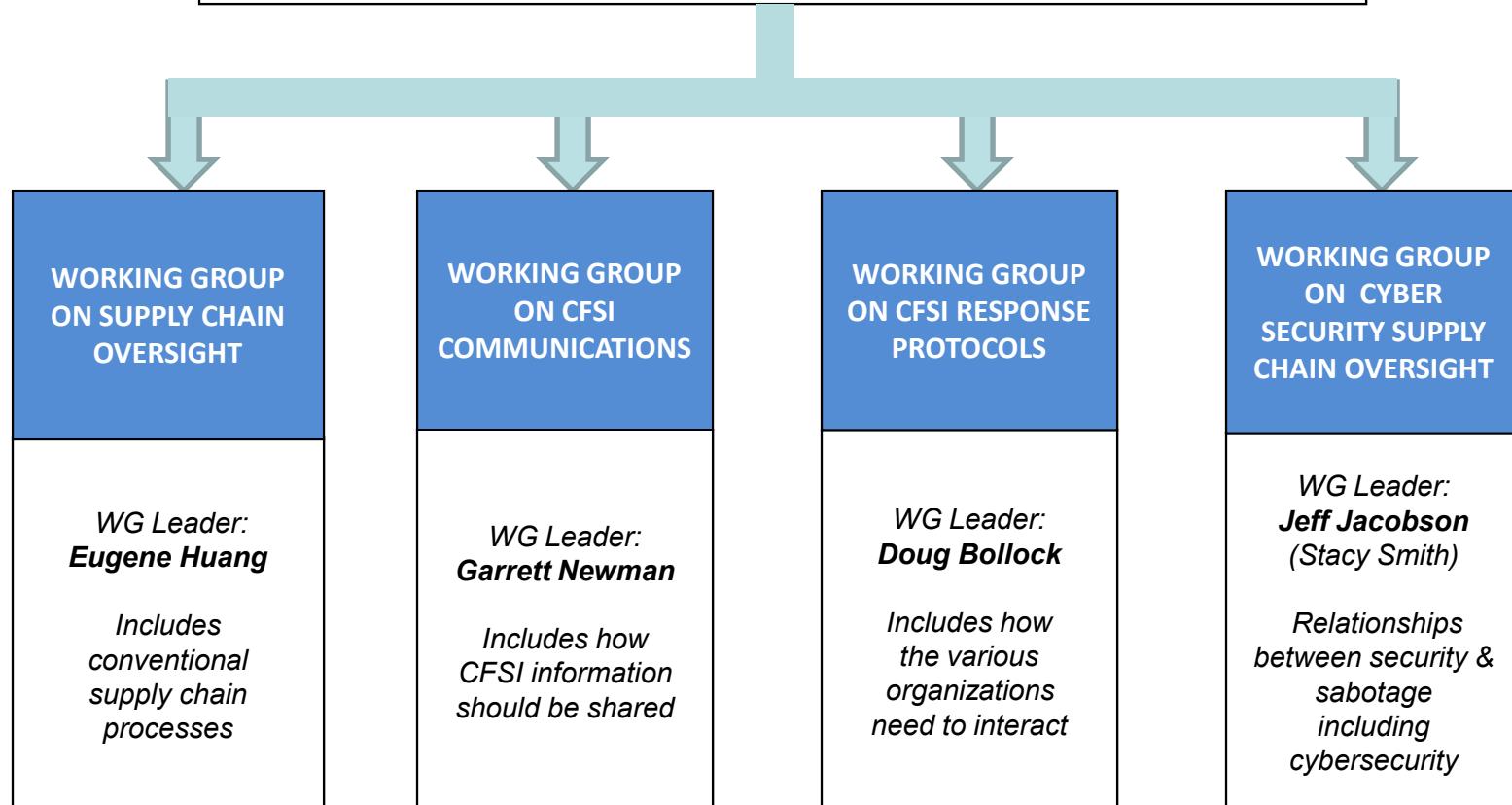


DEVELOPMENT OF AN AGENCYWIDE CFSI RESPONSE STRATEGY

CFSI TASK
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MISSION STATEMENT

"To coordinate the diverse staff resources within the agency to improve the agency's abilities to respond to challenges associated with counterfeit, fraudulent, and suspect items. This effort shall include agency-wide assessments of the following key areas: 1.) supply chain oversight, 2.) communications (both internal and external), 3.) Agency response protocols, and 4.) Cyber security supply chain oversight "





PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT STEPS (to date):

Each of the working groups evaluated:

- Regulatory Requirements
- Existing Guidance
- Industry Practices
- Best practices from other industries

Gaps were compiled and assessed for significance

Potential recommendations were developed



CATEGORIES of ASSESSMENT RESULTS

- I. Methods being employed in the nuclear industry to **detect** Counterfeit, Fraudulent, and Suspect items (CFSI), including detection at the sub-vendor level and during commercial grade dedication activities
- II. **Reporting** requirements/practices/thresholds for CFSI, including how CFSI information is shared internal/external to the nuclear industry and reported to the NRC (including all NRC regulated activities)
- III. **Response** protocols once CFSI is detected/reported, including at licensees, suppliers, and within the NRC (including legal/judicial actions)
- IV. Regulatory Guide 5.71 expectations regarding quality controls imposed on suppliers of **critical digital assets**, including controls for testing, design, manufacture, storage, purchasing of components, etc.



IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATIONS

1. No Action
2. Rely on Industry Actions and Initiatives
3. Enhance NRC Business Practices
 - New/revised internal NRC policies, practices, procedures
 - NRC coordination with Federal agencies and international governments
4. NRC Regulatory Activities
 - Regulatory guidance and communications
 - Inspections, audits and licensing reviews
 - New/revised regulations
 - Legislation recommendations

SUPPLY CHAIN



- Guidance for authentication and testing of CFSI components
- Guidance regarding fraudulent documentation
- Contractual requirements for suppliers regarding CFSI
- Guidance for non-reactors regarding CFSI



COMMUNICATION

- Existing reporting requirements have high thresholds and are event-driven
- Existing Part 21 and Appendix B language does not explicitly address CFSI
- Sharing of CFSI information
- NRC Communications Processes



RESPONSE PROTOCOL

- Guidance to address identified CFSI when NRC becomes aware
- Quarantine requirements for CFSI material
- NRC guidance for CFSI inspections
- NRC jurisdiction for foreign suppliers



CYBER SECURITY SUPPLY CHAIN

- Guidance for implementation of supplier controls (Regulatory Guide 5.71)
- NRC inspection authority for non-safety related critical digital assets (Regulatory Guide 5.71)
- NRC inspection guidance on cyber security controls passed down by licensees (Regulatory Guide 5.71)
- Guidance for QA treatment of critical digital assets (Regulatory Guide 5.71)



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