

PRESS RELEASE

Vintara Unveils a Range of Comprehensive Information Assurance Solutions Under the ISO17 Brand

OAKLAND, CA., March 24, 2003 – ISO17 (a Vintara brand), the leading provider of fully automated, Web-based enterprise information assurance management solutions and services, today unveiled two new enterprise offerings.

Given the increasing focus on information assurance, privacy and the security of electronic record and document management, ISO17 has launched a market-focused solution for the Insurance and Financial sectors that helps institutions gain, manage and maintain compliance with Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA). For the federal government sector, a second solution was also launched today to support federal agency information security risk assessment and reporting, and compliance with the GISRA/FISMA Acts.

With company officers of financial and insurance institutions facing up to \$10,000.00 for each privacy violation under the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, ISO17 recognized the need to provide a solution to help manage information assurance and create a fully compliant management system to support the protection of nonpublic personal information (NPI).

ISO17's GLBA Solution provides these institutions with the tools that help ensure the mitigation of the risks associated with information assurance breaches. By delivering a fully integrated, Web-based management system companies are able to:

- Efficiently create a GLBA compliant security policy document using tools for automatic routing through a collaborative review and revision process and a customizable, electronic approval process
- Ensure proper practice of information security responsibilities with automated document management and training tools and incident and security weakness reporting, ensuring proper and immediate notification and resolution
- Manage compliance from a single "dashboard" across the entire enterprise enabling real-time monitoring of the entire information assurance management function and corrective actions
- Manage access control with automated, online distribution of user and network access, control system monitoring and remote use procedures, processes and policies

Changes in accountability for information assurance across Federal Government Agencies have been swift. With agencies now required to be GISRA/FISMA compliant through the development, implementation and review of a comprehensive agency-wide security program, ISO17 has developed and launched a comprehensive solution tailored to meet the needs of compliance along with the corporate goals of the agencies.

Our GISRA/FISMA solution ensures agencies are able to assess the security of non-classified information systems and generate the required risk assessment reports on the security needs of their systems required for compliance. Delivering agency-wide management and visibility, Vintara's application provides a fully Web-based technology platform with enhanced reporting giving complete control over the management and tracking of security information from a single location.



“Not assessing, reporting on, and effectively managing non-classified information systems can cost federal agencies billions in budget cuts. Maintaining GIPRA/FISMA compliance shouldn’t be a financial burden,” states Vintara’s Chairman & CEO, Glenn Kohner. “We have developed the most cost-effective solution to manage an agency’s information assurance needs, both effectively and without compromise.”

Implementing the ISO17 GISRA/FISMA helps any federal agency realize a range of benefits including the ability to:

- Define risk exposures and potential impacts in a collaborative and automated planning solution
- Document control policies and practices using a fully integrated and automated document creation and control system
- Improve continually using automated performance monitoring and corrective action solutions

About Vintara

Vintara is the leading provider of Web-based enterprise process management solutions and services. Founded in 1997, Vintara has a proven track record of helping the enterprise successfully prepare for and cost-effectively maintain compliance with a range of domestic and internationally recognized standards. Our customers come from a variety of industries, with a diverse range of needs. In every case, Vintara has created solutions that meet and exceed their growing business needs.

Combining innovative technology with training and consulting services, our brands – ISO9, ISO14, ISO17 and OHS18 – deliver the solutions that help the enterprise manage their key business processes setting the path to continual improvement.

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