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AGENCY CONTACT MEMORANDUM #2016 -0101

TO: Agency IT Leadership, Technical Contacts

FROM: Jim Barnhart
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DATE: January 19, 2016

SUBJECT: Active Directory Reorganization Project

Beginning on February 1, 2016, the Commonwealth Office of Technology will be migrating to a new organizational unit structure in all managed Active Directory (AD) domains. The reorganization project is an important next step following the consolidation of agency IT infrastructure. It is a vital element in the Enterprise Identity and Access Management initiative, which will allow the Commonwealth to meet compliance requirements and greatly enhance security.

The reorganization project will take place in three (3) phases:

- Phase 1 - involves the reorganization of user objects in the Executive Branch and consolidated agencies.
- Phase 2 - will include workstations.
- Phase 3 - will address servers.

Changes in Active Directory made during all three phases of the project should have minimal impact to the agency end-users and business. In each phase, migrations or changes will be tested in a lab environment and implemented into production on a domain by domain basis. Should unforeseen issues occur, COT Infrastructure Support staff will be able to restore any user objects that are utilized by an application or service. COT will work with developers and system administrators to reconfigure applications to read from users' new locations.

This migration has been logged and approved in Change Ticket 293149.

If you have any questions about the migration, please contact your [COT Business Relationship Manager](#).