

RE: [fw-wiz] Re: Flawed Surveys [was: VPN endpoints]

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Mike,

> *Mike – In CA all public companies must disclose any security breaches.*

This is not true. Security breaches WHERE CUSTOMER INFORMATION was compromised must be reported.

My point is that, for an accurate picture of costs and risks to be developed, ALL security breaches need to be detailed and tabulated then analyzed by actuaries and statisticians to build up a risk matrix.

Even CA's legislation does not do, nor was it intended, to do that.

CA's legislation primarily is intended to indirectly protect privacy. There is no DIRECT incentive. It's indirect. This is same problem I was referring to. Hackers provide a direct incentive to organizations to protect their networks. Surprize, surprize, enterprizes are fairly good at protecting themselves from hackers. On the hand, enterprizes are AWFUL at protecting themselves from disgruntled employees and other internal risks.

Until we measure ALL such risks, we shall never know where to spend our money.

CA legislation is very wide of that mark.

Mike H

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On Wed, 1 Sep 2004, Stailey, Mike wrote:

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- > *Mike – In CA all public companies must disclose any security breaches.*
- > *Also, we now have the Sarbanes/Oxley act for publicly held companies.*
- > *Yes, it's got a long way to go but like in Paul's prior posts – it*
- > *definitely a start in the right direction.*
- >
- > *Anyway, that's my story and I'm sticking to it...*

Isn't it bad though, that these regulations are coming from outside of our field? Shouldn't we be the ones lobbying and drafting and providing guidance?

Maybe the costs will make businesses shy away from practitioners who would advocate more regulation, but maybe that's the revolution we need in this field to gain the next level of effectiveness?

Paul

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