

Complying with the Department of Defense's Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC)

#### **Executive Summary**

The Director of National Intelligence's annual *Worldwide Threat Assessment* report has for several years identified cyber threats as one of the most important strategic threats facing the United States. The Department of Defense (DoD) is keenly aware of the multifaceted cyber threats our nation faces and has created CMMC to better defend the vast attack surface that the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) sector presents to adversaries.

DoD is taking a supply-chain risk-management approach to improving cybersecurity. That means that all 300,000 DoD contractors will need to obtain third-party certification that they meet requirements for the CMMC maturity level appropriate to the work they wish to do for the DoD.

Current commercial email and file sharing solutions in the market are insufficient to comply with CMMC for organizations working with Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI). Better alternatives use end-to-end encryption to protect data 100% of the time.

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This paper provides a high-level overview of the new CMMC framework and its key components. It also answers the pressing question of what your company needs to do to comply with CMMC and, likewise, work with the DoD. Next, fundamental cyber security principles and how they connect with CMMC are explained. The paper's final section outlines key features of PreVeil, an affordable solution to keep your company compliant with DoD regulations.

#### **CMMC Overview**

CMMC measures an organization's ability to protect Federal Contract Information (FCI) and CUI. FCI is information not intended for public release and is provided by or generated for the government under a contract to develop or deliver a product or service to the government. CUI is information that requires safeguarding or dissemination controls pursuant to and consistent with federal law, regulations, and government-wide policies.

CMMC combines various cybersecurity standards already in place, and others, and maps these best practices and processes to five maturity levels ranging from basic cyber hygiene practices at Level 1 to highly advanced practices and processes at Level 5.

#### **CMMC Model Framework**

The CMMC model framework categorizes cybersecurity best practices into 17 broad *domains*, such as "Access Control" and "Systems and Communications Protection." Forty-three distinct *capabilities*, such as "control remote system access" and "control communications at system



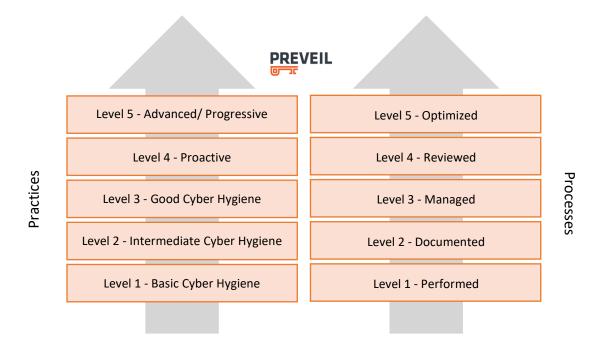
boundaries," are distributed across the 17 domains. Not all companies need to demonstrate all 43 capabilities; they apply depending on the maturity level sought.

Companies will demonstrate compliance with the required capabilities by showing adherence to a range of practices and processes. *Practices* are the technical activities required within any given capability requirement; 173 practices are mapped across the five CMMC maturity levels. *Processes* serve to measure the maturity of organizations' institutionalization of cybersecurity procedures; nine processes are mapped across the five CMMC maturity levels.

#### **CMMC Levels**

CMMC's five defined levels of cybersecurity maturity, each with a set of supporting practices and processes, are shown in Figure 1 below. Practices range from basic cyber hygiene at Level 1 to advanced and progressive cyber hygiene at Level 5. In parallel, process levels range from simply performed at Level 1 to optimized at Level 5.

Figure 1: CMMC Maturity Level Descriptions



Note that DoD contractors must meet requirements for the level they seek in both the practice and the process realms. For example, a contractor that achieves Level 3 on practice implementation and Level 2 on process institutionalization will be certified at the lower CMMC Level 2.

Companies that work with or generate CUI need to achieve CMMC Level3. The DoD explains:

An organization assessed at Level 3 will have demonstrated good cyber hygiene and effective implementation of controls that meet the security



requirements of NIST SP 800-171 Rev 1<sup>1</sup>...Level 3 indicates a basic ability to protect and sustain an organization's assets and CUI; however, at Level 3, organizations will have challenges defending against advanced persistent threats (APTs). Note that organizations subject to DFARS Clause 252.204-7012<sup>2</sup> will have to meet additional requirement for Level 3, such as incident reporting.

For process maturity certification, a Level 3 organization is expected to adequately resource activities and review adherence to policy and procedures, demonstrating active management of practice implementation.<sup>3</sup>

#### **CMMC Domains**

The CMMC model consists of 17 domains, shown in Figure 2 below, the majority of which originated from FIPS SP 200<sup>4</sup> security-related areas and the NIST SP 800-171 control families.

Figure 2: CMMC Model Domains

Access Control (AC)	Asset Management (AM)	Audit Account (Al	tability	Awareness and Training (AT)		Configuration Management (CM)
Identification and Authentication (IA)	Incident Response (IR)	Mainter (MA		Media Protection (MP)	n	Personnel Security (PS)
Physical Protection (PE)	Recovery (RE)	Risk Mana (RN	•	Security Assessment (CA)		Situational Awareness (SA)
	System a Communications (SC)			nd Information ntegrity (SI)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NIST SP 800-171 Rev. 1 refers to a revision of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Publication 800-171, entitled *Protecting CUI in Non-Federal Information Systems and Organizations*. It codifies the requirements that any non-federal computer system must follow in order to store, process or transmit CUI or provide security protection for such systems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DFARS Clause 252.204-7012 refers to a clause in a Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement entitled Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting. It requires contractors to provide "adequate security" for covered defense information that is processed, stored or transmitted on the contractor's internal information system or network.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification Version 0.7, p. 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> FIPS 200 refers to the Federal Information Processing Standard Publication 200, entitled *Minimum Security* Requirements for Federal Information and Information Systems. It outlines mandatory federal standards for baselines security controls

Again, 43 capabilities are distributed across these 17 CMMC domains, and the 173 practices associated with those capabilities are mapped across the five CMMC maturity levels.

#### **CMMC Process Maturity**

In addition to cybersecurity practices, CMMC will measure the maturity of organizations' institutionalization of cybersecurity processes. Level 1 has no maturity requirements related to institutionalization. Nine processes indicating increasingly more maturity are mapped across the remaining levels, which can be captured briefly as:

- Level 1: Performed (but no further process maturity requirements)
- Level 2: Documented
- Level 3: Managed
- Level 4: Reviewed
- Level 5: Optimized

Note that each required process applies to each domain individually. For example, the requirement that high-level management be informed of any issues within a domain requires 17 such formalized processes for doing so (given 17 domains).

Finally, adherence to CMMC practices and processes is cumulative. Once a practice or process is introduced in a level, it becomes required for all levels above that as well. Thus, for example, for an organization to achieve Level 3, all the practices and processes defined in Levels 1, 2 and 3 must be achieved. DoD Prime contractors must flow down the appropriate CMMC level requirement to their sub-contractors, which will vary depending on the nature of the subcontractors' work. For example, a prime contractor with CMMC Level 5 certification could have a subcontractor with which it shares just FCI; the DoD would require that subcontractor to achieve Level 1 certification.

#### What does my company need to do?

All DoD contractors will need to be CMMC certified.<sup>5</sup> One of the most significant changes from previous practice is the shift from self-assessment to external assessments of cybersecurity compliance, which will be conducted by Third Party Assessment Organizations (C3PAOs). Further, whereas in the past noncompliance with DoD security regulations was acceptable as long as companies prepared POAMS (Plan of Action and Milestones) outlining plans to address deficiencies, that will no longer be the case under CMMC.<sup>6, 7</sup>

Clearly, business risk is high and any company that does work for the DoD needs to take action.

First, if you haven't already, familiarize yourself with CMMC and stay abreast of developments. CMMC 1.02 and its helpful, detailed appendices were released in late March 2020 and are available

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> There are narrow exceptions to this requirement: According to the OUSD(A&S) CMMC website's FAQs, subcontractors need not be CMMC certified if they produce solely Commercial Off-The-Shelf (COTS) products. (See FAQ no. 20.) This applies, for example, to the supplier of chicken or fuel to a military installation, according to an analysis by Morrison & Foerster

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Companies will still need to complete SSPs (System Security Plans), although those too will not satisfy CMMC requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Any organization seeking CMMC certification that receives unfavorable findings from a C3PAO review will have up to 90 days to resolve them.

on the DoD's CMMC website. Further, the CMMC-Accreditation Body (CMMC-AB) is bearing much of the responsibility for implementation of the new framework, and thus the CMMC-AB website is a definitive source on implementation of the initiative. We recommend that these official sites serve as your primary sources for all things CMMC.

Next, determine the appropriate CMMC level for your company. It appears most likely that companies that handle just FCI will need to achieve Levels 1 or 2. Any company that handles CUI will need to achieve at least Level 3. Higher Levels 4 and 5 will focus on reducing the risk of advanced persistent threats (APTs) and are intended to protect CUI associated with DoD critical programs and technologies.

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Once you determine the CMMC level you want to achieve, examine the current state of your cybersecurity and identify gaps between your organization's capabilities and the requirements for the level you seek. This gap analysis could be based on previous self-assessments, such as the

NIST SP 800-171 Self-Assessment. However, a more forward-looking approach would be to consult Appendix A of the CMMC 1.0 report. That appendix includes a summary of the process requirements for each of the five CMMC levels, as well as a matrix that lists each domain's required capabilities and the corresponding practices for each level.

Note that if your business has migrated to the cloud, standard commercial cloud services such as Microsoft 365 and Gmail are not CMMC compliant and so you will need to assess alternatives.

As your business considers how to address its cybersecurity deficiencies, keep in mind that with the adoption of CMMC, cybersecurity will be an allowable cost. This shift recognizes the critical nature of cybersecurity and serves as an incentive for vendors to quickly comply with CMMC. Begin building budgets for what it will take to upgrade your cybersecurity to the level you need and figure out how those costs will affect your rates.

#### **CMMC Timing**

The speed of CMMC implementation has been somewhat dialed back from its original aggressive timeline because of the coronavirus pandemic. However, the DoD is still aiming to add CMMC requirements to RFPs in October 2020, starting with 15 procurements for critical DoD programs and technologies, such as those associated with nuclear and missile defense<sup>8</sup>. DoD expects that approximately 1,500 primes and subcontractors will be affected and, likewise, will need to be CMMC certified by Fall 2021. The roll-out will continue over a five-year period, with the expectation that all new DoD contracts will include CMMC requirements by Fall 2026. DoD will identify the required CMMC level in RFP sections L and M and use responses there as the basis of a "go/no go" decision.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Note that in July 2020, the US General Services Administration (GSA) released an RFP that refers to CMMC multiple times: "The Streamlined Technology Acquisition Resources for Services (STARS) III Governmentwide Acquisition Contract (GWAC)—aka STARS III," to provide IT services and IT service-based solutions. Section M.6 of the RFP states that bidders' cybersecurity capabilities will be evaluated on a pass/fail basis, based on assessment of four elements, including: "The offeror's intention in regards to obtaining Cyber [sic] Maturity Model Certification (CMMC), the target certification level, and a tentative timetable for attaining it." Inclusion of CMMC in this RFP illustrates both the aggressive pace of CMMC implementation and its expected extension beyond DoD.

You needn't take on CMMC compliance on your own. Many consulting companies have adapted their services to address CMMC requirements and can help your company by, for example, conducting a gap analysis focused on your cybersecurity practices and/or processes. They can also help you build a roadmap for moving forward toward compliance.

#### **Technical Cybersecurity Principles and CMMC**

Cybersecurity research at leading universities has led to critical advances in applied cryptography. These new technologies, built on the fundamental security principles outlined below, will enable your company to enhance its cybersecurity and will help it achieve the CMMC level necessary to do work for the DoD. Specific CMMC domains addressed by each security principle are noted.

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#### **End-to-end encryption**

End-to-end encryption ensures that data is encrypted on the sender's device and never decrypted anywhere other than on the recipient's device. This ensures that only the sender and the recipient can ever read the information being shared—and no one else. Data is never decrypted on the server, thus even if attackers successfully steal data from the server, it will only be encrypted gibberish.

End-to-end encryption addresses the following CMMC domains: Access Control, Configuration Management, Media Protection, Systems & Communications Protection, and System & Informational Integrity.

#### **Encrypted logs**

All user activities should be logged in order to trace possible malicious activities. Logs themselves also should be tamper-proof and protected with end-to-end encryption so that attackers cannot read sensitive files by viewing log entries, nor can they cover their tracks by deleting log entries.

Encrypted logs address the following CMMC domain: Audit & Accountability.

End-to-end encryption enables organizations to store sensitive information, like CUI, in the cloud because information is always encrypted on the server.

#### **Cloud-based services**

Cloud-based services offer significant advantages over on-premises servers, such as lower costs, better scalability, and fewer administrative and maintenance responsibilities. However, many organizations have been reluctant to trust sensitive information to the cloud. End-to-end encryption enables organizations to store sensitive information, like CUI, in the cloud because such information is always encrypted on the server. Further, the server can never access decryption keys. No one but the intended recipients can access the data, not even the cloud service provider.



Cloud-based services can help address the following CMMC domain: Maintenance & Recovery.

#### **Key-based authentication**

Passwords create a significant security risk because they are routinely guessed or stolen. Compromised passwords are used for unauthorized access, escalating privileges, or impersonating a user's identity. A much better approach is to authenticate users with private keys that are stored only on the user's device. Unlike passwords, these keys cannot be guessed or stolen.

Moreover, device-based keys prevent hackers from remotely accessing user accounts. Since attackers cannot get to the keys, with private keys that they cannot access data in users' accounts. If the devices are lost or stolen, are stored only on the device management controls should allow admins to quickly user's device.

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Key-based authentication can help address the CMMC domains: Identification & Access, System & Communications Protection, and Systems & Informational Integrity.

#### **Administrative distributed trust**

In most IT systems, administrators hold the proverbial keys to the kingdom, given that they most often have access to any user account in the enterprise. As such, they become a central point of attack, and when an attacker compromises the administrator, they gain access to the entire organization's information.

A better approach is to require several people to approve an administrator's sensitive activities (such as exporting corporate data). Much like the nuclear launch keys, requiring several people to authorize critical actions can help prevent malicious activity. In essence, trust is distributed amongst approvers instead of being centralized with one admin. Distributed trust eliminates central points of attack.

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It's also important to note that eliminating central points of attack is a fundamental means to secure systems. For example, some encryption systems centralize the storage of decryption keys in a key server. Doing so undermines the benefits of encryption because attackers can focus their efforts on penetrating the key server, which if successful would ultimately compromise all of the encrypted data.

Administrative distributed trust addresses the following CMCC domains: Access Control and Systems & Communications Protection.



#### **Controlled access**

Most email and file sharing services are open to anyone, which enables phishing, spoofing, and other kinds of attacks. When an encrypted email and file sharing service is added to complement (instead of replace) regular email and files, access can be restricted to only trusted individuals. These people form a "trusted community" that allows organizations to control the flow of CUI. Individuals outside the trusted community are blocked from sending or receiving encrypted information.

Controlled access addresses the following CMMC domains: Configuration Management, Systems & Communications Protection, and Systems & Informational Integrity.

#### **PreVeil Product Overview**

PreVeil is built on MIT computer scientists' research on cybersecurity and applied cryptography. It adheres to each of the fundamental cybersecurity principles outlined above, beginning with the gold standard of end-to-end encryption to protect email, files and data— even when networks or servers are breached, and administrators are compromised. PreVeil's encrypted Email and Drive support compliance with virtually all the CMMC mandates related to the communication and storage of CUI. (See Appendix A, *PreVeil CMMC Level 3 Compliance Matrix*, a table that lists each of the required capabilities for CMMC Level 3 and indicates which requirements PreVeil meets.)

#### **Email**

PreVeil Email lets you send and receive encrypted emails using your existing email address. It integrates with mail clients such as Outlook, Gmail, and the Apple Mail, and also works on browsers and mobile devices. When PreVeil Email is used with Outlook, Gmail, or Apple Mail, the installation process automatically creates a new set of mailboxes for your encrypted messages. Messages in these new mailboxes are encrypted and stored on PreVeil's servers. There are no changes to the mailboxes already in your mail program and no impact on the servers that store your regular, unsecure messages.

#### File sharing

PreVeil Drive enables end-to-end encrypted file sharing and storage. Users can enable further granular visibility and control with folder sharing permissions such as edit, read only, and view only. Users can access files stored on PreVeil Drive from any of their devices or share files with other users who have the appropriate access permissions through PreVeil's Trusted Communities. Unlike Box, OneDrive, Google Drive, and DropBox, which always have access to your data, only you and the people with whom you've explicitly shared files can decrypt them. PreVeil Drive also integrates seamlessly with Windows File Explorer and Mac Finder.



#### **Elimination of passwords**

Instead of relying on passwords, PreVeil authenticates users via strong cryptographic keys that are automatically created and stored on users' devices. Replacing passwords with cryptographic keys shuts down the many significant security risks that flow from phishing and password-guessing attacks, including the use of compromised passwords for unauthorized access and malicious activity. And because the keys are stored are user's devices, there is no one central point of attack for hackers to target.

#### **Administration console**

Using PreVeil's Admin Console, IT administrators can create, modify, and delete users and groups, as well as set organization-wide data and recovery policies. Device management controls let admins disable lost or stolen devices quickly. Even though all files and emails are encrypted, admins have the tools they need to manage and access their organization's data. They can view activity logs and decrypt and export user data only with permission from a PreVeil Approval Group.

#### **Cloud-based service**

Many organizations have avoided the cloud, keeping their email and file servers on premise because they don't trust the security of cloud-based solutions. PreVeil's end-to-end encryption gives organizations the best of both worlds: end-to-end encryption that is even more secure than on-premise deployments, combined with the cost, scalability and agility of the cloud.

PreVeil runs on Amazon Web Services' Gov Cloud, which provides the foundation for many of the controls required to process and store CUI. Again, end-to-end encryption ensures that no one but intended recipients—not even PreVeil or Amazon—an ever access user data.

#### **Email and file sharing compliance**

PreVeil makes it easy to comply with CMMC rules for handling CUI—in contrast to Microsoft and Google services.

Microsoft 365 does not meet CMMC's demands for securing email and files. One option is Microsoft's GCC High service, which is expensive per user, must be deployed across an entire organization, and requires a fork-lift upgrade to mail and file servers. Alternatively, PreVeil Email and Drive address requirements for CUI at a fraction of the cost, can be deployed only to users who handle CUI, and can be implemented with no changes to existing email and file servers.



Google's standard Gmail platform also doesn't comply with CMMC requirements for securing CUI. PreVeil supplements Gmail by adding end-to-end encryption, so neither Google nor PreVeil can access user data. The PreVeil plug-in for Gmail lets users send and receive encrypted messages all within the standard Gmail browser app.

See Appendix B, *Comparison of PreVeil vs. Alternatives,* for a comparison of PreVeil and Microsoft GCC High.

#### Ease of use

PreVeil is easy for end users to adopt because it works with the tools they already use. Email can be integrated with Outlook, Gmail, or Apple Mail clients. File sharing works like DropBox and is integrated with the Windows File Explorer and Mac Finder.

#### **Cost effectiveness**

PreVeil's email and file sharing service is a fraction of the cost of alternatives. Moreover, PreVeil need be deployed only to users handling CUI, whereas alternatives require deployment across an entire organization. Finally, PreVeil does not impact existing mail and file servers, making configuration and deployment simple and inexpensive.



#### **Conclusion**

The new CMMC framework will better arm the DoD in its efforts to defend against cyberattacks that threaten U.S. advantages in the military, technological and commercial realms. CMMC's implementation is on the fast track, and whether your company can continue to work with the DoD will be determined by whether it can achieve the appropriate CMMC maturity level for the contract you seek. In short, as of October 2020, CMMC certification will begin to serve as the basis of a "go/no-go" decision for DoD contracts, starting with those related to critical DoD programs and technologies.

All DoD contractors, regardless of size, will need to comply with CMMC requirements. To help them do so, PreVeil leverages a fundamentally better security paradigm. But better security isn't enough: if security is difficult to use, it won't be used. To be effective, security must be as frictionless as possible. PreVeil was created with this principle in mind so that your security objectives will be met. It integrates seamlessly with the email and file sharing tools you and your employees already use.

With CMMC upon us, the good news is that PreVeil's encrypted Email and Drive offerings support compliance with virtually all of the CMMC mandates related to the communication and storage of CUI.

### PreVeil's principles: Grounded in the reality of today's security environment

- Uncompromising end-to-end encryption—data is never decrypted in the cloud
- Elimination of central points of attack—trust is distributed amongst the admin team
- No more passwords—impossible-to-crack cryptographic keys automatically created instead
- Secure activity logs—attackers can neither glean information nor cover their tracks
- Ease of use—effective security must be as frictionless as possible

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# Appendix A: PreVeil CMMC Level 3 Compliance Matrix

#### **Appendix A Summary: PreVeil to CMMC Level 3 Mapping**

CMMC Domain	Supports Compliance	Alternative Approach Supports Compliance (*)	Partially Complies - Additional Controls/ Processes Necessary (*)	Does Not Apply- Out of Scope	Total
Access Control (AC)	15		2	5	22
Asset Management (AM)				1	1
Audit and Accountability (AA)	9		1	1	11
Awareness and Training (AT)				3	3
Configuration Management (CM)	5	4			9
Identification and Authentication (IA)	4	6	1		11
Incident Response (IR)			1	6	7
Maintenance (MA)	2		1	3	6
Media Protection (MP)	5			3	8
Personnel Security (PS)	2				2
Physical Protection (PE)	6				6
Recovery (RE)	2		1		3
Risk Management (RM)				6	6
Security Assessment (CA)			4	1	5
Situational Awareness (SA)				1	1
System and Communications Protection (SC)	12		1	6	19
System and Information Integrity (SI)	3		1	6	10
Total	65	10	13	42	130

\*See detailed mapping in Appendix A for explanation.



CMMC Practice	CMMC Domain	CMMC Practice Description	CMMC Practice Compliance Support	Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil	NIST 800- 171 or Source
AC.1.001	Access Control (AC)	Limit information system access to authorized users, processes acting on behalf of authorized users, or devices (including other information systems).	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil account required to access system. Private, device-based key authentication cyptographically enforces access rights. Trusted Community feature eliminates any spoofing or accidental communication into or out of the system. Device Management provides for control over active devices.  Organization-specified Admin roles and Approval Groups required for invasive Admin actions.	3.1.1
AC.1.002	Access Control (AC)	Limit information system access to the types of transactions and functions that authorized users are permitted to execute.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil can be deployed for a subset of organization users that need the highest level of security. File/Folder permissions are enforced cryptographically. Admin Console only accessible by specified Admins. All system actions are logged. Shared Folders with encrypted contents can be restricted to user groups on a need-to-know basis.	3.1.2
AC.1.003	Access Control (AC)	Verify and control/limit connections to and use of external information systems.	Yes Supports Compliance	Access to PreVeil is limited to authorized users determined by the organization. Additionally users can be added/deleted as needed by Administrators. Through a white-listing process, Trusted Communities further limits who can access the PreVeil service for an organization.	3.1.20
AC.1.004	Access Control (AC)	Control information posted or processed on publicly accessible information systems.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.1.22
AC.2.005	Access Control (AC)	Provide privacy and security notices consistent with applicable CUI rules.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil is developing additional functionality for CUI privacy and security notices and plans to have this embedded in the offering by Q3 of 2020. In the meantime, this mandate can be addressed outside of PreVeil.	3.1.9
AC.2.006	Access Control (AC)	Limit use of organizational portable storage devices on external information systems.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.1.21
AC.2.007	Access Control (AC)	Employ the principle of least privilege, including for specific security functions and privileged accounts.	Yes Supports Compliance	Only Administrators can access Admin functions and only a cryptographic controlled Approval Group of Administrators can perform system actions that would delete or decrypt enterprise data.	3.1.5

Appendix A: PreVeil Email and Drive as a secured enterprise information system for managing U.S. Government CUI **NIST 800-CMMC CMMC Practice** CMMC Domain **Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil** 171 or **CMMC Practice Description Practice Compliance Support** Source Users only have a single secure account in their organization with appropriate privileges. Administrative Approval Groups Yes Use non-privileged accounts or roles protect against inappropriate access or deletion by an AC.2.008 Access Control (AC) **Supports** 3.1.6 when accessing nonsecurity functions. individual Administrator. Standard non-encrypted email and file Compliance storage/sharing can still be seamlessly utilized for communication and storage of data that is not CUI. There is no log-in for PreVeil so it inherently limits unsuccessful longon attempts. Multiple attempts at log-in by attackers are Yes not possible. Only devices that have the user's private key can AC.2.009 Access Control (AC) Limit unsuccessful logon attempts. **Supports** access the system. If a user does not have an authorized device 3.1.8 Compliance in their possession and proper access to that device, they cannot even view the CUI. Remote access by an unauthorized 3rd party is virtually impossible. **Partially Complies** This mandate can be addressed outside of PreVeil via device Use session lock with pattern-hiding Additional AC.2.010 displays to prevent access/viewing of level timeouts after a period of inactivity. PreVeil sessions can 3.1.10 Access Control (AC) **Controls/Processes** data after period of inactivity. be locked remotely as required by users or Administrators. Necessary Authorize wireless access prior to **Does Not Apply** AC.2.011 Access Control (AC) 3.1.16 allowing such connections. Out of Scope Administrators can control remote sessions via device management from the AdmAll PreVeil sessions, local and remote, are controlled via end-to-end encryption. Additionally, Yes Monitor and control remote access AC.2.013 administrators can manage and control all active devices as well 3.1.12 Access Control (AC) **Supports** sessions. Compliance as PreVeil web access sessions via device management from the Admin Console.in Console. End-to-end encryption controls access to remote access sessions. Route remote access via managed access **Does Not Apply** AC.2.015 Access Control (AC) 3.1.14 control points. Out of Scope End to end encryption with device based keys provides tools for control of CUI at the user and device level. Only those Yes Control the flow of CUI in accordance granted access can view the information. End to end encryption 3.1.3 AC.2.016 Access Control (AC) **Supports** provides complete security of data at the server level whether with approved authorizations. Compliance on-premise or in the cloud. Trusted Community feature can

limit access to CUI.

sample controls set forth in this document in your System Security Plan. Appendix A: PreVeil Email and Drive as a secured enterprise information system for managing U.S. Government CUI **NIST 800-CMMC CMMC Practice CMMC Domain Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil** 171 or **CMMC Practice Description Practice Compliance Support** Source Only Administrators can access Admin functions and only a Separate the duties of individuals to Yes cryptographically controlled Approval Group of Administrators reduce the risk of malevolent activity AC.3.017 Supports Access Control (AC) 3.1.4 can perform system actions that would delete or decrypt without collusion. Compliance enterprise data. Users only have a single account with appropriate privileges. Prevent non-privileged users from Administrative Approval Groups protect against inappropriate Yes executing privileged functions and access or deletion. Shared Folders permit sensitive content to AC.3.018 Access Control (AC) **Supports** 3.1.7 capture the execution of such functions be shared only with users on a need to know basis. All system Compliance in audit logs. actions are logged (logs are encrypted and hash-chained to prevent tampering). Terminate (automatically) a user session **Does Not Apply** Note that PreVeil sessions can be terminated or locked AC.3.019 Access Control (AC) 3.1.11 after a defined condition. Out of Scope remotely as required by Administrators in specific situations. All PreVeil users are authenticated cryptographically prior to access services. All information is end-to-end encrypted, Yes Protect wireless access using whether transmitted over wireline or wireless. PreVeil's unique AC.3.012 **Supports** 3.1.17 Access Control (AC) authentication and encryption. encryption model allows all the benefits of end-to-end Compliance encryption for phones and tablets as well as laptops and desktops. Use of mobile devices can be restricted by Administrators on a Yes AC.3.020 Control connection of mobile devices. **Supports** user by user basis. Device adds can be managed. Access to 3.1.18 Access Control (AC) Compliance PreVeil on any device can be locked by Adminstrators. Employ cryptographic mechanisms to Yes PreVeil end-to-end encryption protects the confidentiality of all AC.3.014 3.1.13 Access Control (AC) protect the confidentiality of remote Supports remote access sessions. access sessions. Compliance PreVeil's security model employs cryptographic controls for Authorize remote execution of privileged Yes AC.3.021 Access Control (AC) commands and remote access to **Supports** Approval Group Authorizations for piviliged commands 3.1.15 Compliance security-relevant information. including Data Export, Deleting Users and Assigning Admins. During standard operation, PreVeil does not store data on mobile devices. it is accessed in view mode and is erasted from Yes Encrypt CUI on mobile devices and AC.3.022 Access Control (AC) **Supports** the device when the document or application is closed. 3.1.19 mobile computing platforms. Compliance Additionally, PreVeil provides for biometric protections to restrict access to the PreVeil mobile application.

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**Supports** 

Compliance

3.3.9

single point of failure on invasive administrative actions. User

logs only available to that specific user. Logs are tamperproof

and cannot be modified or deleted.

Audit and Accountability

(AU)

functionality to a subset of privileged

users.

AU.3.050

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AU.3.051	Audit and Accountability (AU)	Correlate audit record review, analysis, and reporting processes for investigation and response to indications of unlawful, unauthorized, suspicious, or unusual activity.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil enables the export of system logs (via an Approval Group) to provides this analysis.	3.3.5
AU.3.052	Audit and Accountability (AU)	Provide audit reduction and report generation to support on-demand analysis and reporting.	Yes Supports Compliance	Administrative logs ccapture all system activity and can be filtered by multiple parameters to support on-demand analysis.	3.3.6
AT.2.056	Awareness and Training (AT)	Ensure that managers, systems administrators, and users of organizational systems are made aware of the security risks associated with their activities and of the applicable policies, standards, and procedures related to the security of those systems.	Out of Scope		3.2.1
AT.2.057	Awareness and Training (AT)	Ensure that organizational personnel are adequately trained to carry out their assigned information security-related duties and responsibilities.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.2.2
AT.3.058	Awareness and Training (AT)	Provide security awareness training on recognizing and reporting potential indicators of insider threat.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.2.3
CM.2.061	Configuration Management (CM)	Establish and maintain baseline configurations and inventories of organizational systems (including hardware, software, firmware, and documentation) throughout the respective system development life cycles.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.4.1
CM.2.062	Configuration Management (CM)	Employ the principle of least functionality by configuring organizational system to provide only essential capabilities.	Yes Supports Compliance	Only authorized users on authorized devices can access the secure data in PreVeil. Permissions are enforced cryptographically. Only authorized Admins can perform Administrative functions. Only formal Approval Groups can authorize specific invasive system actions.	3.4.6

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private keys.

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IA.3.084	Identification and Authentication (IDA)	Employ replay-resistant authentication mechanisms for network access to privileged and non-privileged accounts.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil's leverages cryptographic authentication via private user and device keys. Please see the PreVeil encryption architectural whitepaper for additional detail.	
IA.3.085	Identification and Authentication (IDA)	Prevent reuse of identifiers for a defined period.	Yes Supports Compliance	Identity and authentication is not confirmed with passworld. Intead, PreVeil uses established cryptographically via user private keys and device-specific private keys. PreVeil device keys rotate every 24 hours and are not re-used.	3.5.5
IA.3.086	Identification and Authentication (IDA)	Disable identifiers after a defined period of inactivity.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	This is a PreVeil will release in Q3 of 2002. In the near term via existing device timeout functionality.	3.5.6
IR.2.092	Incident Response (IR)	Establish an operational incident- handling capability for organizational systems that includes preparation, detection, analysis, containment, recovery, and user response activities.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil can be an important part of an Incident Response plan as it provides an out-of-band, secure and reliable communications and information storage tool.	3.6.1
IR.2.093	Incident Response (IR)	Detect and report events	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		CIS Controls v7.1 19.4
IR.2.094	Incident Response (IR)	Analyze and triage events to support event resolution and incident declaration	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		CERT RMM v1.2 IMC:SG2.SP4
IR.2.096	Incident Response (IR)	Develop and implement responses to declared incidents according to predefine procedures	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		CIS Controls v7.1 19.1
IR.2.097	Incident Response (IR)	Perform root cause analysis on incidents to determin underlying causes.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		CERT RMM v1.2 IMC:SG2.SP1
IR.3.098	Incident Response (IR)	Track, document, and report incidents to designated officials and/or authorities both internal and external to the organization.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.6.2
IR.3.099	Incident Response (IR)	Test the organizational incident response capability.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.6.3
MA.2.111	Maintenance (MA)	Perform maintenance on organizational systems.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil handles maintenance and performs regular system updates, patching, and enhancements to its software and the infrastructure it maintains. If a customer elects to host the storage on-premise, the customer is responsible for instrastructure maintenance.	3.7.1

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MA.2.112	Maintenance (MA)	Provide effective controls on the tools, techniques, mechanisms, and personnel used to conduct system maintenance.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil handles maintenance and performs regular system updates, patching, and enhancements to its software and the infrastructure it maintains. PreVeil is SOC-2 certified and uses many tools, controls and processes to properly conduct this maintenance. If customer elects to host the storage on-prem, customer is responsible for system maintenance.	3.7.2
MA.2.113	Maintenance (MA)	Require multifactor authentication to establish nonlocal maintenance sessions via external network connections and terminate such connections when nonlocal maintenance is complete.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.7.5
MA.2.114	Maintenance (MA)	Supervise the maintenance activities of personnel without required access authorization.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.7.6
MA.3.115	Maintenance (MA)	Ensure equipment removed for off-site maintenance is sanitized of any CUI.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption.	3.7.3
MA.3.116	Maintenance (MA)	Check media containing diagnostic and test programs for malicious code before the media are used in organizational systems.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.7.4
MP.1.118	Media Protection (MP)	Sanitize or destroy information system media containing CUI before disposal or release for reuse.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption.	3.8.3

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MP.2.119	Media Protection (MP)	Protect (i.e., physically control and securely store) system media containing CUI, both paper and digital.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption.AWS provides effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security.	3.8.1
MP.2.120	Media Protection (MP)	Limit access to CUI on system media to authorized users.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil end-to-end encryption enforces authentication/identification. All access and actions are logged. AWS meets contol requirements for limiting access to system infrastructure.	3.8.2
MP.2.121	Media Protection (MP)	Control the use of removable media on system components.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.8.7
MP.3.122	Media Protection (MP)	Mark media with necessary CUI markings and distribution limitations.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.8.4
MP.3.123	Media Protection (MP)	Prohibit the use of portable storage devices when such devices have no identifiable owner.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.8.8
MP.3.124	Media Protection (MP)	Control access to media containing CUI and maintain accountability for media during transport outside of controlled areas.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption.	3.8.5
MP.3.125	Media Protection (MP)	Implement cryptographic mechanisms to protect the confidentiality of CUI stored on digital media during transport unless otherwise protected by alternative physical safeguards.	Yes Supports Compliance	All PreVeil data is protected with end-to-end encryption at all times between user devices.	3.8.6

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PS.2.127	Personnel Security (PS)	Screen individuals prior to authorizing access to organizational systems containing CUI.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption. AWS provides effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security.	3.9.1
PS.2.128	Personnel Security (PS)	Ensure that organizational systems containing CUI are protected during and after personnel actions such as terminations and transfers.	Yes Supports Compliance	Preveil Administrative contols provide for account deletion and device locking associated with personnel actions such as terminations and transfers.	3.9.2
PE.1.131	Physical Protection (PP)	Limit physical access to organizational information systems, equipment, and the respective operating environments to authorized individuals.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption. AWS provides effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security.	3.10.1
PE.1.132	Physical Protection (PP)	Escort visitors and monitor visitor activity.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption. AWS provides effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security.	3.10.3
PE.1.133	Physical Protection (PP)	Maintain audit logs of physical access.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS meets the required FedRAMP/NIST mandates and provides very effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security. With PreVeil, CUI, ITAR and EAR data is protected at all times with end-to-end encryption. AWS provides effective protection and monitoring of facilities for security.	3.10.4

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Yes

**Supports** 

Compliance

Yes

**Supports** 

Compliance

Regularly perform and test data back-

Protect the confidentiality of backup CUI

at storage locations.

ups.

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RE.2.138

Recovery (RE)

Recovery (RE)

authorized users on additional devices on as needed basis.

PreVeil employs Amazon AWS US East-West systems for
FedRAMP Moderate impact level and AWS GovCloud (US) for

FedRAMP High impact level encrypted data storage. AWS

All primary storage and back-ups consist of end-to-end

decryption keys stored centrally at a backup location.

provides complete and comprehensive data back-ups that are

stored off-site. All PreVeil back-ups are fully encrypted end-to-

encrypted content which can only be decrypted and accessed

by authorized users in the organization. At no time are the

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RE.3.139	Recovery (RE)	Regularly perform complete, comprehensive, and resilient data back-ups as organizationally defined.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	All primary storage and back-ups consist of end-to-end encrypted content which can only be decrypted and accessed by authorized users in the organization. At no time are the decryption keys stored centrally at a backup location. Company however needs to provide the back-up policies.	CIS Controls v7.1 10.1, 10.2, and 10.5	
RM.2.141	Risk Assessment (RM)	Periodically assess the risk to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, and individuals, resulting from the operation of organizational systems and the	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.11.1	
RM.2.142	Risk Assessment (RM)	Scan for vulnerabilities in theorganizational system and applications periodically and when new vulnerabilities affecting the system and applications are identified.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.11.2	
RM.2.143	Risk Assessment (RM)	Remediate vulnerabilities in accordance with risk assessments.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.11.3	
RM.3.144	Risk Management (RM)	Periodically perform risk assessments to identify and prioritize risks according to the defined risk categories, risk sources, and risk measurement criteria.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		NIST CSF v1.1 ID.RA-5 & CERT RMM v1.2 RISK:SG3 and SG4.SP3	
RM.3.146	Risk Management (RM)	Develop and implement risk mitigation plans.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		NIST CSF v1.1 ID.RA-6 ,ID.RM-1	
RM.3.147	Risk Management (RM)	Manage non-vendor-supported products (e.g., end of life) separately and restrict as necessary to reduce risk.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		CMMC	
CA.2.157	Security Assessment (CA)	Develop, document, and periodically update system security plans that describe system boundaries, system environments of operation, how security requirements are implemented, and the relationships with or connections to other systems.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil is SOC-2 certified and periodically assesses system security controls.	3.12.4	

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CA.2.158	Security Assessment (CA)	Periodically assess the security controls in organizational systems to determine if the controls are effective in their application.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil is SOC-2 certified and periodically assesses system security controls.	3.12.1
CA.2.159	Security Assessment (CA)	Develop and implement plans of action designed to correct deficiencies and reduce or eliminate vulnerabilities in organizational systems.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil is SOC-2 certified and periodically assesses system security controls.	3.12.2
CA.3.161	Security Assessment (CA)	Monitor security controls on an ongoing basis to ensure the continued effectiveness of the controls.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	PreVeil is SOC-2 certified and periodically assesses system security controls.	3.12.3
CA.3.162	Security Assessment (CA)	Employ a security assessment of enterprise software that has been developed internally, for internal use, and that has been organizationally defined as an area of risk.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		СММС
SA.3.169	Situational Awareness (SA)	Receive and respond to cyber threat intelligence from information sharing forums and sources and communicate to stakeholders.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		СММС
SC.1.175	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Monitor, control, and protect organizational communications (i.e., information transmitted or received by organizational information systems) at the external boundaries and key internal boundaries of the information systems.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil can facilitate the cross-organization boundary - everything is end-to-end encrypted. The Trusted Community feature permits an additional level of control and protection by limited communication and sharing to a white-listed group of PreVeil users.  Monitoring would take place at the network level using existing policies/tools	3.13.1
SC.1.176	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Implement subnetworks for publicly accessible system components that are physically or logically separated from internal networks.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.13.5
SC.2.178	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Prohibit remote activation of collaborative computing devices and provide indication of devices in use to users present at the device.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.13.12

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SC.2.179	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Use encrypted sessions for the management of network devices	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		СММС
SC.3.177	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Employ FIPS-validated cryptography when used to protect the confidentiality of CUI.	Yes Supports Compliance*	*PreVeil's service uses approved FIPS 140-2 compliant cryptographic algorithms. PreVeil's cyptographic module is currently undergoing FIPS 140-2 validation in the NIST CMVP labs.  For additional information regarding PreVeil's cryptographic algorithms, please see the detailed encryption architecture white paper	3.13.11
SC.3.180	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Employ architectural designs, software development techniques, and systems engineering principles that promote effective information security within organizational systems.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil employs architectural designs, software development techniques, and systems engineering principles that are SOC-2 certified and promote effective information security. PreVeil has prepared a detailed architecture document that describes the structure of the platform and how it maximizes security.	3.13.2
SC.3.181	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Separate user functionality from system management functionality.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil incorporates strict cryptographic controls and an approval group process for setting up Admin accounts. The Admin accounts are distinct from user accounts and Admin capabilities cannot be accessed from User accounts.	3.13.3
SC.3.182	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Prevent unauthorized and unintended information transfer via shared system resources.	Yes Supports Compliance	Only authorized users on authorized devices can access the secure data in PreVeil. Permissions are enforced cryptographically. PreVeil encrypted data is stored in a parallel secure network separate from standard unencrypted organization data.	3.13.4
SC.3.183	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Deny network communications traffic by default and allow network communications traffic by exception (i.e., deny all, permit by exception).	Yes Supports Compliance	With the Trusted Community feature enabled, only PreVeil system members in the organization and any white-listed 3rd parties can access or share information within that walled garden. All other communication attempts either into or out of that walled garden are not permitted.	3.13.6

Appendix A: PreVeil Email and Drive as a secured enterprise information system for managing U.S. Government CUI **NIST 800-CMMC Practice CMMC** CMMC Domain **Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil** 171 or **CMMC Practice Description Practice** Compliance Support Source Prevent remote devices from With PreVeil, identity and authentication is established simultaneously establishing non-remote cryptographically via user private keys and device-specific System and Yes connections with organizational systems private keys. Each system user is intrinsically related to specific SC.3.184 Communications **Supports** 3.13.7 and communicating via some other devices and each device connection is always direct to the Protection (SCP) Compliance connection to resources in external secure PreVeil cloud application and encrypted data storage networks (i.e. split tunneling) network. With PreVeil, all files and communications are encrypted prior Implement cryptographic mechanisms to to be transmitted, and remain end-to-end encrypted until they System and prevent unauthorized disclosure of CUI Yes reach the authorized recipients' devices, at which point the SC.3.185 Communications during transmission unless otherwise Supports 3.13.8 information is decrypted. End to end encryption is a more Protection (SCP) Compliance protected by alternative physical powerful security mechanism than encryption in transit and safeguards. encryption at rest which allow for central points of attack. **Partially Complies** Terminate network connections System and associated with communications **Additional** PreVeil supports device and network level controls regarding SC.3.186 Communications 3.13.9 **Controls/Processes** sessions at the end of the sessions or termination of network connections in these situations. Protection (SCP) after a defined period of inactivity. Necessary Encryption key management is handled automatically behind System and Establish and manage cryptographic keys Yes the scenes by PreVeil. Please see the PreVeil encryption SC.3.187 Communications for cryptography employed in **Supports** 3.13.10 architecture white paper for deailed information regarding Compliance Protection (SCP) organizational systems. PreVeil's key management architecture. System and Control and monitor the use of mobile **Does Not Apply** SC.3.188 Communications 3.13.13 Out of Scope code. Protection (SCP) System and Control and monitor the use of Voice Does Not Apply SC.3.189 Communications over Internet Protocol (VoIP) 3.13.14 Out of Scope Protection (SCP) technologies. PreVeil leverages private user and device keys to ensure cryptographic identity and authentication of users accessing System and Yes Protect the authenticity of the PreVeil service. All messages, file changes, etc are SC.3.190 Communications **Supports** 3.13.15 communications sessions. cryptographically signed using the user's private key. For Protection (SCP) Compliance additional information, please see PreVeil's encryption

architecture white paper

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CMMC Practice	CMMC Domain	CMMC Practice Description	CMMC Practice Compliance Support	Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil	NIST 800- 171 or Source	
SC.3.191	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Protect the confidentiality of CUI at rest.	Yes Supports Compliance	All files, communications, and data in the PreVeil system are protected with end-to-end encryption. This means that CUI at rest is always encrypted at rest, en transit, and while is use on the server. The keys to decrypt it are never stored centrally. For additional information, please see PreVeil's encryption architecture white paper	3.13.16	
SC.3.192	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Implement Domain Name System (DNS) filtering services.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil's Trusted communities feature allows only trusted domains to communicate with one another. As a result, all malicious or unapproved domains are blocked from communication.	СММС	
SC.3.193	System and Communications Protection (SCP)	Implement a policy restricting the publication of CUI on externally owned, publicly accessible websites (e.g. forums, LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter)	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		СММС	
SI.1.210	System and Information Integrity	Identify, report, and correct information and information system flaws in a timely manner.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.1	
SI.1.211	System and Information Integrity	Provide protection from malicious code at appropriate locations within organizational information systems.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.2	
SI.1.212	System and Information Integrity	Update malicious code protection mechanisms when new releases are available	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.4	
SI.1.213	System and Information Integrity	Perform periodic scans of the information system and real-time scans of files from external sources as files are downloaded, opened, or executed.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.5	
SI.2.214	System and Information Integrity	Monitor information system security alerts and advisories and take action in response.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.3	
SI.2.216	System and Information Integrity	Monitor organizational systems including inbound and outbound communications traffic, to detect attacks and indicators of potential attacks.	Does Not Apply Out of Scope		3.14.6	

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CMMC Practice	CMMC Domain	CMMC Practice Description	CMMC Practice Compliance Support	Explanation of Compliance with PreVeil	NIST 800- 171 or Source		
SI.2.217	System and Information Integrity	Identify unauthorized use of organizational systems.	Yes Supports Compliance	All logins and use of the PreVeil service are digitally signed and logged cryptographically. In the event an attacker compromises a user's account and is able to gain unauthorized use of the system, this activity would be logged and enable administrators to identify, respond to, and analyze the incident.	3.14.7		
SI.3.218	System and Information Integrity (SI)	Employ spam protection mechanisms at information system access entry and exit points.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil email can be configured with Trusted Communities of whitelisted email addresses and domains to effectively block spam.	СММС		
SI.3.219	System and Information Integrity (SI)	Implement email forgery protections.	Yes Supports Compliance	PreVeil identifies all senders and recipients through the use of asymetric cryptography. All emails and files are protected by end-to-end encryption at all times.	СММС		
SI.3.220	System and Informational Integrity (SII)	Utilize sandboxing to detect or block potentially malicious email.	Partially Complies Additional Controls/Processes Necessary	While PreVeil email does not use sandboxing, PreVeil email can be configured with Trusted Communities of whitelisted email addresses and domains to block potentially malicious mail.	CM • CIS Controls v7.1 7.10 MC		

## Appendix B: PreVeil vs. Alternatives



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The Department of Defense has specific requirements when organizations work with CUI. Most commercial cloud services don't meet these requirements when email or files containing CUI are stored or processed in the cloud. Microsoft Office 365's email and SharePoint services, for example, are not DoD compliant for CUI. Microsoft offers a special service, called Microsoft GCC High for CUI. Similarly, Box's cloud file storage is not compliant for CUI; Box also requires a special service to manage CUI, called Box for Government.

PreVeil compares favorably to both Microsoft GCC High and Box for Government. It is significantly less expensive than the alternatives, and it provides email and file storage and sharing. It is also much more cost effective to deploy for email than Microsoft GCC High, as PreVeil may be used by only those in the organization dealing with CUI, whereas Microsoft GCC High much be purchased for the entire organization. Further, the Microsoft GCC High Exchange server must replace the existing email server, which requires special planning and configuration, whereas PreVeil augments the existing email environment and has no effect on the regular mail server.

PreVeil provides far better security than either Microsoft GCC High or Box for Government:

- PreVeil uses end-to-end encryption so that only senders and recipients of email and files can see the data; the PreVeil server operates on encrypted data and can never access the decryption keys. Conversely, both Microsoft GCC High and Box for Government offer optional encryption via a centralized key server, whereby client information is encrypted/decrypted at the server using keys stored on another server. This scheme is subject to central points of attack. All an attacker needs to do is penetrate one of the servers to mount a successful attack. If the key server is penetrated, then all keys on the system—and hence all information for the organization—is compromised. If the data server is penetrated, the attacker will have access to all plaintext data as it enters and leaves the server. PreVeil's end-to-end encryption eliminates the central points of attack inherent in key servers.
- PreVeil authenticates users via secret keys automatically created and stored on users'
  devices. The other systems use passwords, which are vulnerable to phishing and password
  guessing attacks.
- PreVeil's Approval Groups require administrators to receive authorization from a
  predetermined list of approvers before an invasive activity (such as exporting corporate data)
  can be performed. This process makes it very difficult to compromise an administrator.
- PreVeil's Trusted Communities allow an organization to whitelist trusted external entities. No
  one else is allowed to send or receive encrypted email or files to the organization, which is
  very effective for managing CUI.



Table 1: PreVeil vs. Alternatives

	PreVeil	Microsoft GCC High	Box For Government
Product	Email & Files	Email & Files	Files Only
Security			
Encryption	End-To-End Encryption	Optional key server (central point of attack)	Optional key server (central point of attack)
Authentication	Key-Based Authentication	Passwords	Passwords
Admin Vulnerability	Admin Approval Groups	Admin vulnerability	Admin vulnerability
Whitelisting	Trusted Communities	None—open to untrusted phishing/spoofing	Limited to domain- based whitelisting
Email Deployment	No impact to existing email server	Rip and replace email server	N/A
	Only users with CUI need deploy	Typically, must be deployed to 100% of the organization	
Drive Deployment	No impact to existing file servers	Rip and replace file server	Requires centralized key server that must be provisioned, managed
	Only users with CUI need to deploy	Typically, must be deployed to 100% of the organization	and protected
Cost	\$30/user/month	\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$



#### **About PreVeil**

PreVeil makes encryption usable for everyday business. PreVeil's encrypted email works with existing apps like Outlook or Gmail, letting users keep their regular email addresses. PreVeil Drive works like DropBox for file sharing, but with far better security. All messages and documents are encrypted end-to-end, which means that no one other than intended recipients can read or scan them—not even PreVeil. PreVeil is designed for both small teams and large enterprises. Visit www.preveil.com to learn more.

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