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## **The CPSC Needs to Prioritize IT Risk Management Remediation**

BETHESDA – Today, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued a report on the results of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) review. The CPSC OIG found that, although the CPSC closed eight previous FISMA recommendations, the CPSC had still not implemented an effective information security program in accordance with FISMA requirements.

The primary hurdle is that the CPSC has not developed explicit guidance and processes to address information security risks and integrated those risks into the broader agency-wide Enterprise Risk Management program. For over a decade this office has cited the lack of Enterprise Risk Management as a Top Agency Management and Performance Challenge, yet insufficient progress has been made to address this foundational issue. This has adversely impacted the CPSC's ability to develop an integrated approach to managing information security risks and effectively utilize information security resources to address previously identified information security deficiencies. These issues were compounded by high turnover in the Office of Information and Technology Services.

The CPSC closed eight recommendations from prior FISMA evaluations. Due to the changes in reporting requirements, the FY 2023 review only covered 37 of the 66 total Inspector General FISMA metrics. This year, the auditors reissued 32 recommendations and issued 3 new ones.

The OIG is an independent office within the CPSC that performs audits and investigations of the CPSC, and prevents and detects fraud, waste, and abuse. The OIG retained the services of Williams, Adley, & Co.-DC LLP an independent accounting firm to complete this review. For more information, visit [OIG.CPSC.GOV](https://oig.cpsc.gov).

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