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## **FISMA Report Highlights Improvements as Well as Ongoing Weaknesses**

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) 2021 Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) review. The OIG retained the services of Williams, Adley, & Co.-DC LLP (Williams Adley), an independent accounting firm, to complete this review.

Overall Williams Adley found that while the CPSC has made progress in implementing FISMA requirements, work remains to be done. The CPSC closed five recommendations included in the FY 2020 FISMA report and completed several activities that has improved its security posture. However, Williams Adley determined that the CPSC has not implemented an effective information security program in accordance with FISMA requirements.

The CPSC still does not have a formal approach to information security risk management and did not adequately prioritize addressing the information security weaknesses identified in the OIG's FY 2020 FISMA evaluation. In order to achieve effective information security, the CPSC must prioritize the improvement of its information technology security program by establishing robust enterprise information security risk management practices. This year's report provides 47 recommendations to improve the CPSC information security posture, including 42 recommendations carried over from FY 2020.

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