On Thursday, July 1, 2010, the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement held a joint hearing entitled, "Cloud Computing: Benefits and Risks of Moving Federal IT into the Cloud," to examine the benefits and challenges of the Federal government's transition to cloud computing.

The joint hearing focused on the Obama Administration's strategy for cloud computing technology and services, plans for implementation, coordination of activities among federal entities and other issues related to the government-wide transition to cloud computing. The hearing took place at 10:00 a.m. in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building.

To watch a webcast of the hearing, click here

The witnesses scheduled to testify included:

Panel I

Mr. Vivek Kundra Federal Chief Information Officer Administrator for E-Government and Information Technology Office of Management and Budget

Mr. David McClure Associate Administrator Office of Citizen Services and Innovative Technologies U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Ms. Cita Furlani Director, Information Technology Laboratory National Institute of Standards and Technology

Mr. Gregory Wilshusen Director, Information Security Issues Government Accountability Office

Panel II

Mr. Scott Charney Corporate Vice President, Trustworthy Computing Microsoft Corporation

Mr. Daniel Burton Senior Vice President, Global Public Policy Salesforce.com

Mr. Mike Bradshaw Director, Google Federal Google Inc.

Mr. Nick Combs Chief Technology Officer EMC Federal

Mr. Gregory Ganger Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering Director, Parallel Data Lab Carnegie Mellon University

Documents and Links

Opening statement of Chairman Edolphus Towns

Opening statement of Subcommittee Chairwoman Diane Watson

Prepared testimony of Mr. Vivek Kundra

Oral presentation slides accompanying prepared testimony of Mr. Vivek Kundra (Powerpoint)

Prepared testimony of Mr. David McClure

Prepared testimony of Ms. Cita Furlani

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