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Tribal-ISAC Welcomed as Member of the National Council of ISACs

[Jan. 9, 2023] – The National Council of Information Sharing and Analysis Centers (NCI) has welcomed the Tribal Information Sharing and Analysis Center (Tribal-ISAC) as 1 of 28 ISACs (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) across the entire nation to be a named member of this prestigious council that was formed in 2003 and also includes; National Defense ISAC, Space ISAC, Health ISAC and MS-ISAC just to name a few.

“On behalf of everyone at Tribal-ISAC, we thank the NCI for this recognition”, said Adam Morrison, Tribal-ISAC Steering Committee Member and CIO with the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians. “We look forward to being an engaged member of the National Council of ISACs and working together to continue to bring awareness to the importance of security knowledge sharing.”

The Tribal-ISAC is dedicated to improving the overall security posture of the nation’s federally recognized sovereign Native American tribal governments, all of their operations and enterprises, including Alaska Native communities, villages and organizations with an emphasis on cyber security, and including all-hazard threats and risks.

“Membership in the NCI is an important accomplishment for the Tribal-ISAC. We are proud of the recognition and excited to announce this to our entire nationwide community,” said Mike Day, Tribal-ISAC Steering Committee Member. “We understand that the recognition as a member of the NCI is also a recognition of the very important role all Native American and Alaska Native communities have in protecting the critical infrastructure across the United States. Together, we can engage, access and share more critical security information and best practices in a secure manner that respects tribal sovereignty while meeting the core goals of improving the security posture of each tribe and the entire country.”

Launched in 2020 by tribes and for tribes, the list of benefits and subsequent capabilities of the Tribal-ISAC are expected to grow quickly and significantly over time. The community fosters a collaborative environment for tribes to safely and securely share and mitigate threat information, share best practices, and serve as a nationwide conduit and platform for security information sharing.

NCI is a coordinating body designed to maximize information flow across and among key private and non-federal critical infrastructures and with the federal government.

“We look forward to having the Tribal-ISAC join the NCI to ensure continued coordination to best meet the needs of Tribal communities,” said Carlos Kizze, Chair of the National Council of ISACs membership committee and Senior Vice President of MS-ISAC Strategy and Plans. “The more we share and work together as ISAC organizations, the more we will be able to enhance the security and resilience of our members.”
Information Sharing and Analysis Centers (ISACs) help critical infrastructure owners and operators in critical sectors and subsectors protect their data, networks, facilities, personnel, customers, and key stakeholders from cyber and physical security threats and other hazards. ISACs collect, analyze and disseminate actionable threat information to their members and provide members with tools to mitigate risks and enhance resiliency.

About Tribal Share:
Tribal Share, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) and the governing body of the Tribal-ISAC, a platform for cyber threat information sharing, threat prevention, protection, community response, and a managed and trusted collaboration with other government agencies and industry ISACs for the nation’s tribal governments and their operations and enterprises. For more information visit tribalisac.org

About NCI:
Sector-based Information Sharing and Analysis Centers (ISACs) collaborate and coordinate with each other via the National Council of ISACs (NCI). Formed in 2003, the NCI today is composed of organizations designated by their sectors as their information sharing and operational arms.

The NCI is a true cross-sector partnership, providing a forum for sharing cyber and physical threats and mitigation strategies among ISACs and with government and private sector partners during both steady-state conditions and incidents requiring cross-sector response. Sharing and coordination is accomplished through daily and weekly calls between ISAC operations centers, daily reports, requests-for-information, monthly meetings, exercises, and other activities as situations require. The NCI also organizes its own drills and exercises and participates in national exercises. For more information, visit https://www.nationalisacs.org/.

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