Office of the Chief Information Officer Directive: IT 3.04

Chapter: Software Acquisition, Implementation, and Maintenance

Subject: Standard Application Fixes

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1 DIRECTIVE

1.01 Standard software fixes must be

- Planned, tested, and distributed for implementation in a timely fashion
- Retrieved only from validated approved software distribution sites

2 PURPOSE

- 2.01 The purpose of this Directive is to ensure that:
 - (a) Standard software used in production is kept up-to-date and consistent throughout the enterprise for efficient technical support purposes.
 - (b) Software security is not accidentally breached through the unintentional assistance of our own staff.

3 SCOPE

3.01 This directive applies to all employees.

4 RESPONSIBILITY

- 4.01 The Information Technology Service Delivery Organization (IT SDO) is responsible to plan, test and distribute all standard software fixes on all systems connected to the enterprise network.
- 4.02 The IT SDO is responsible to ensure that all software fixes are authentic and current.

5 DEFINITIONS

5.01 **"Standard software fix"** refers to patches and modules created by software vendors to repair identified problems with their software, either preventive repairs or solutions to reported problems.

6 RELATED DIRECTIVES

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