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Dear CIO Council Colleagues,

On behalf of the Federal CIO Council's Architecture and Infrastructure Committee (AIC), we are pleased to announce the release of the Federal Segment Architecture Methodology (FSAM) Version 1.0. The FSAM provides a repeatable, step-by-step process for developing and using segment architectures based on proven best practices in use across the Federal government. By following FSAM, agencies will be able to improve their architecture while also producing data to populate the Enterprise Architecture Segment Report required by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The FSAM is available on the CIO Council website in the Architecture and Infrastructure Committee Documents section.

If you or your Chief Architects have any questions related to FSAM, please contact Ms. Colleen Coggins, Department of the Interior (DOI) Chief Architect and Federal Segment Architecture Working Group (FSAWG) Lead via email at iea@ios.doi.gov.

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the development of FSAM. Your input, suggestions, and comments were critical to the creation of a flexible methodology that will contribute to the maturation of EA throughout the Federal government.

Sincerely,

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