## **Board Meeting**

### **Independent Assessments Briefing**



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## Agenda

- 1. Assessment Professionals
- 2. Project Management
- 3. System Integration
- 4. System Security
- 5. Summary

### **Assessment Professionals**

- ✓ North Highland -- eFare Project Management Assessment
  - Global consulting firm providing industry experts in end-to-end program delivery, methodology and leadership



- ✓ Anitian -- eFare System Integration and Security Assessment
  - Consultants serving thousands of companies on all matters security, governance and privacy.





# **Project Management Assessment**



## **Evaluation Methodology**

- ✓ Governance & Organization Management
- ✓ Benefits Management
- ✓ Scope Management
- ✓ Project Planning & Scheduling
- ✓ Cost Control and Financial Management
- ✓ Communications & Reporting
- ✓ Quality Management
- √ Vendor and Contract Management
- ✓ Risk & Issues Management

### **Key Observations**

### Interviewed over 40 stakeholders involved in implementation

- ✓ Team was engaged, responsive and transparent
- ✓ Project is well-run with consideration for careful execution
- ✓ High-level of confidence in eFare success
- ✓ Leadership and sponsorship team involvement is commendable



## **Project Health Scorecard**







### **Key Risks, Issues and Actions**

- Lacks comprehensive project management plan with integrated dependencies ✓ Comprehensive plan existed; staff since updated it to include GlobeSherpa integrated schedule Missing overall quality assurance plan and lead ✓ QA staff existed and operated in the role; staff is now officially assigned Internal communications solid; some gaps identified ✓ Forwarding Board Report to extended stakeholders; created monthly dashboard
  - ✓ While a comprehensive risk management plan existed, staff has since included discussions with extended stakeholders

Formal risk/issue management not inclusive of all risk areas





## **Project Management Assessment Summary**

- ✓ Project team engaged and transparent
- ✓ Well-balanced project management across all categories
- ✓ No major areas of concern
- ✓ Key Risks, Issues addressed 30 days after assessment



### **System Integration & Technical Assessment**

### Alignment with Best Practices



#### Strengths

- Very effective use of security technologies at point of sale to encrypt payment data and minimize impact on compliance
- Robust coordination between vendors and design components
- The existing PCI security control framework can be easily extended to apply to eFare systems

#### Opportunities

- Components of the architecture are not yet designed or finalized; most notably, the details concerning encryption and key management
- Vendor development processes do not include consistently formal, robust security reviews
- System and network security controls are not currently deployed on preproduction systems



# **System Integration**



## **System Integration**

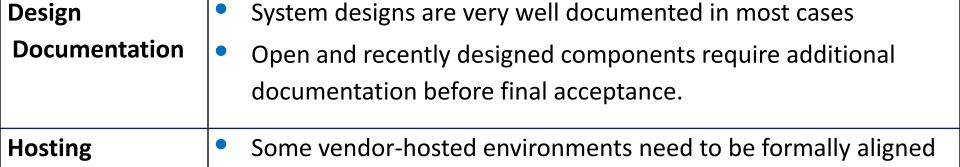
Technical Design and Integration Assessment Tasks:

- ✓ System Design
- ✓ Transaction Volumes
- ✓ Data Security
- ✓ Disaster Recovery
- ✓ Design Documentation
- ✓ Hosting



Task	Description
System Design	<ul> <li>Finalized components demonstrate robust design; open or incomplete design areas should be addressed before final acceptance.</li> </ul>
Transaction Volumes	<ul> <li>Potential bottlenecks exist between validator cellular network usage and calls to back-office components</li> </ul>
Data Security	<ul> <li>The GlobeSherpa-hosted environment is not fully dedicated to Tri-Met production eFare system</li> </ul>

Task	Description
Disaster	<ul> <li>The Data Warehouse implementation used for report generation</li> </ul>
Recovery	is not fully redundant.
	<ul> <li>Existing continuity of operations plan (COOP) is robust but needs to be updated for eFare</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Data backup process not efficiently integrated with virtual</li> </ul>
	server system.
	<ul> <li>Restoration of certain components currently dependent on</li> </ul>
	vendor assistance



with industry or regulatory security standards



# **System Security**



## **System Security**

### System Security Assessment Project Tasks:

- ✓ Compliance Review
- ✓ Network Security
- ✓ Data Security
- ✓ Physical Security
- ✓ Application Security
- ✓ IT Policies
- ✓ Test Plans

Compliance	•	Validator encryption scheme aligns with payment card industry
Review		guidelines. Obtain formal approval of the scheme from TriMet's merchant bank.
	•	Some vendor products are currently undergoing industry standard security validation. Deploy validated software versions to eFare environment.
Network	•	Approach for remote vendor access to production environment should
Security		he finalized prior to commissioning of this environment afare network

Description

Task

Security

Approach for remote vendor access to production environment should be finalized prior to commissioning of this environment. eFare network is not currently segmented by trust level of systems. Additional network segmentation should be implemented prior to commissioning of production system.
 Data
 Formal system security standards should be developed and deployed

to eFare servers.

Encryption key management process should be formalized for all databases and vendors.

Physical Security	•	Inconsistent level of formality in physical system access control across different groups. A consistent approach should be defined and
		enforced. Fare media handling procedures should be updated and enforced for eFare.
Application	•	Enforce patch management to all systems regardless of vendor support

Work with vendors to ensure that important application updates to

commercial product are implemented in the eFare software branch.

Formalize secure software development and change management

A responsibilities matrix should be created to define specific

Test Plans • Complete all test plans and include security testing

practices for all application development

management responsibilities for each vendor

**Description** 

Task

Security

**IT Policies** 

## **System Integration and Security Summary**

- ✓ TriMet has demonstrated thorough due diligence in defining the business, IT and security requirements for eFare and in coordinating with their vendors.
- ✓ Not all aspects of the design have been finalized, but the most critical components have
- ✓ Some of TriMet's design exceeds industry best practices.
- ✓ The gaps in best practices are relatively minor and easily addressable at this stage of the project

