



STATUS OF US GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AUTHENTICATING DOMAINS & EMAIL		
US Government Agency	URL	Status
Air Force	<a href="http://www.airforce.com/">http://www.airforce.com/</a>	✓
Army	<a href="http://www.army.mil/">http://www.army.mil/</a>	Non-Complying
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)	<a href="http://www.atf.gov">http://www.atf.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Census Bureau	<a href="http://www.census.gov/">http://www.census.gov/</a>	✓
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov">http://www.cdc.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)	<a href="http://www.cia.gov">http://www.cia.gov</a>	✓
Coast Guard	<a href="http://www.uscg.mil/">http://www.uscg.mil/</a>	✓
Dept of Homeland Security (DHS)	<a href="http://www.dhs.gov">http://www.dhs.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Dept of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)	<a href="http://www.hud.gov">http://www.hud.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Dept of Treasury	<a href="http://www.treasury.gov/">http://www.treasury.gov/</a>	Non-Complying
Environmental Protection Agency	<a href="http://www.epa.gov">http://www.epa.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)	<a href="http://www.faa.gov">http://www.faa.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)	<a href="http://www.fbi.gov">http://www.fbi.gov</a>	Non-Complying
Federal Communications Commission (FCC)	<a href="http://www.fcc.gov/">http://www.fcc.gov/</a>	Non-Complying
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)	<a href="http://www.fdic.gov">http://www.fdic.gov</a>	✓
Federal Trade Commission (FTC)	<a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a>	✓
Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	<a href="http://www.fda.gov">http://www.fda.gov</a>	Non-Complying
General Services & Administration (GSA)	<a href="http://www.gsa.gov/">http://www.gsa.gov/</a>	✓
Internal Revenue Service (IRS)	<a href="http://www.irs.gov">http://www.irs.gov</a>	✓
Navy	<a href="http://www.navy.mil/">http://www.navy.mil/</a>	Non-Complying
Secret Service	<a href="http://www.secretservice.gov/">http://www.secretservice.gov/</a>	Non-Complying
Securities and Exchange Commission	<a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>	✓
Social Security Administration (SSA)	<a href="http://www.ssa.gov/">http://www.ssa.gov/</a>	✓
Veteran Affairs (VA)	<a href="http://www.va.gov/">http://www.va.gov/</a>	✓
White House	<a href="http://www.whitehouse.gov/">http://www.whitehouse.gov/</a>	Non-Complying

*Methodology – Analysis was completed during the period of April 3 and April 13, 2009, based on examining the public DNS records of the brands and governmental agencies, as well as examining over 30 million emails sent to consumers purporting to come from the legitimate brand and domain. Data was provided in part by Microsoft Corporation, IronPort Systems, MX Logic and Return Path Inc. Criteria for top U.S. government sites includes past incidence of spoofing and phishing, site traffic, and risk of potential exploit for financial data and/or the risk of disseminating misleading consumer information. Pass or non-complying grades were based on the ability to validate the use of email authentication standards including SPF/Sender ID or DomainKeys Identified Email (DKIM) at the corporate domain level. Organizations using test SPF records ending in ?all were rate as non-complying since by design they cannot be utilized by receiving networks.*

*Note some of these organizations may employ third party solutions which may validate the authenticity of their email from these domains as well as marketing domains. The focus of this research is on the domains most recognized by the consumer and on SPF/SenderID and DKIM, open standards that are broadly deployed by ISPs, mail hosters and business MTAs. Some organizations may employ third party solutions which validate the authenticity and integrity of some or all of their email from these domains as well as marketing domains. While not included in this research, third party solutions such as Goodmail CertifiedEmail, Iconix, PGP, S/MIME, IronPort PXE Encryption merit consideration based on the value offered and/or regulatory requirements.*