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KEY BENEFITS

- One vendor for all your strong authentication needs: ECA and SSL certificates, One Time Passwords (OTP), PKI, Card Management Systems and Smartcards.
- Full compliance to ECA Certificate Policy
- vStrong authentication of external users without complex PKI deployment
- Detailed information on deployed certificates
- Flexible and cost-effective procurement options for individual and enterprise-wide purchases
- Best-in-industry Technical Support and Operations- VeriSign Tech Support Center 800-579-2848
- Over 10 years' of experience developing, implementing and operating Public Key Infrastructures.
- One vendor with the broadest set of accreditations: ECA, ACES, Shared Service Provider (SSP), FBCA

External Certificate Authority Strong Authentication for U.S. Government business partners and other external users

The External Certification Authority (ECA) program establishes a standardized framework for strong authentication of external users that need to access U.S. Government systems. Digital Certificates issued by ECA providers can be used by any Federal, State and Local Government agency to strongly authenticate the identity of their customers, business partners and other external entities.

ECA Certificates are readily available for individual or enterprise-wide purchase, and represent a cost-effective way to authenticate the identity of external users. ECA Certificates can be used to quickly enable strong client authentication to web applications, signed and encrypted e-mail, form signing, amongst other secure applications.

The ECA Certificate Policy (CP) was designed by the Department of Defense and it includes a set of rigorous identity proofing processes, leveraging state of the art authentication technology.

+ ECA Certificates for accessing DoD systems

DoD Instruction 8520.2 requires that DoD partners obtain and use certificates issued by DoD-approved external PKIs when interacting with DoD PK-Enabled information systems; accessing DoD sensitive information; or requiring nonrepudiation of DoD information. External entities include:

- Federal agencies
- State and local governments including first responders
- Allied and coalition partners
- Industry partners and DoD-affiliated personnel

+ VeriSign's ECA Solution

VeriSign has been a leader in digital certificates and PKI for more than ten years, delivering high quality, scalable solutions to industry and government. VeriSign's approval as an External Certificate Authority brings those capabilities to the thousands of contractors and agencies that must securely interact with the DoD and other U.S. Government agencies everyday.



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Selecting VeriSign as your ECA vendor means selecting a company that has built its reputation by delivering quality solutions for securely connecting and transacting business in the electronic medium of the Internet.

+ VeriSign ECA Offering:

- Medium or High assurance X.509 Authentication Certificate for identity and digital signature
- Medium or High assurance X.509 Encryption Certificate
- Trusted Agent – on-site identity proofing, bulk enrollment and volume discounts
- Dedicated Enterprise Certificate Management for real time management of multiple ECA Certificates
- FIPS 140-2 compliant hardware tokens for mobile certificates
- Key Escrow and Key Recovery
- Professional Services – large scale deployment; training and testing
- OCSP Validation Services based on our best in class Trusted Global Validation platform

+ Key Features

- Trusted Agent models to facilitate bulk purchase and enrollment
- Easy to navigate Web interfaces for enrolling and managing certificates
- Complete instructions and tech support for the “new” user
- Customizable options for each individual user
- Optional hardware solutions for mobility
- OCSP Validation Service

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