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## Hello!

Thank you for the opportunity to offer pre-draft comments towards the efforts of NIST 800-171 Rev 3.

After speaking with some colleagues, I agree that some things that should be considered include:

- Clarify the document's intent at the beginning of the document. If it's 800-171's intent to be part of DFARS compliance, that should be stated.
- Define both External Service Providers and Cloud Service Providers (they are not the same).
   This would greatly help limit confusion and it would leave a lot less room for interpretation in the ecosystem. Further, clarifying the applicability of NIST 800-171 to assess CSP and MSPs would be extremely helpful.
- Offer general CUI feedback that currently isn't covered:
  - How should the appropriate flow of CUI be managed if a device is company-owned versus BYOD?
  - Should SPAs that don't process/transmit/store CUI be required to follow the same controls of the assets that <u>do</u> process/transmit/store CUI?
- Offer alternatives to FIPS 140 Validation.

Thank you!

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