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**SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP – INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – AUDIT OF VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK (VPN) – SECURITY CONTROLS AND ACCESS MANAGEMENT**

**COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES**

Follow up is a process by which auditors evaluate the adequacy, effectiveness, and timeliness of actions taken by management on reported observations and recommendations at the conclusion of an audit. The subject audit was presented to the ABAC and School Board at their July 19, 2022, and August 15, 2022, meetings, respectively.

Our audit objective was to review and evaluate procedures for the provisioning and general management of VPN technology, and adherence to applicable standards and best practices.

The audit presented three findings and six corresponding recommendations, including the need for detailed process documentation, periodic reviews, and actionable audit/event logging. In addition, certain confidential findings and recommendations were discussed with Management to further strengthen activities and process related to VPN.

Our review of the evidence obtained to support management's implementation of corrective actions indicates that as of May 2023, all findings and recommendations have been fully implemented.

The School Board Audit and Budget Advisory Committee reviewed this report at its July 24, 2023, meeting and recommended transmission to the School Board.

Copies of this report were distributed and placed on file in the Office of the Recording Secretary to the School Board and in the Citizen Information Center.

The report may be accessed at:

[https://api.dadeschools.net/WMSFiles/23/pdfs/23-24/AC\\_July\\_24\\_2023/Item9.pdf](https://api.dadeschools.net/WMSFiles/23/pdfs/23-24/AC_July_24_2023/Item9.pdf)

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive and file the Follow-Up – Internal Audit Report – Audit of Virtual Private Network (VPN) – Security Controls And Access Management.