



Network Reliability and Interoperability Council VII

NRIC Council Meeting

Focus Group 2A

Homeland Security – Infrastructure

Best Practices

Status Update

March 29, 2005

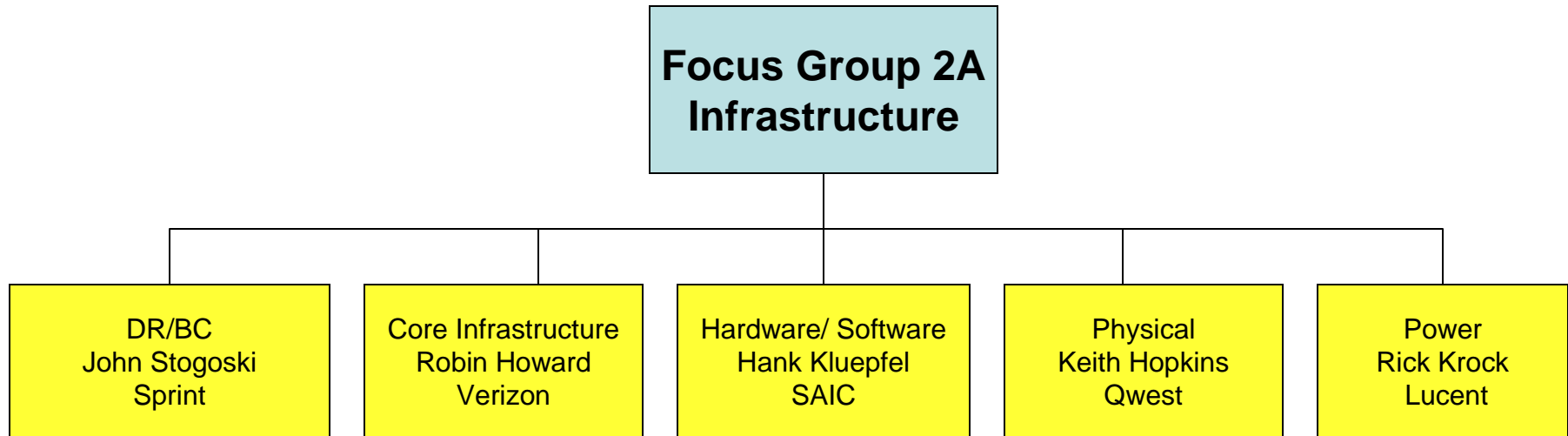


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Focus Group 2A Charter

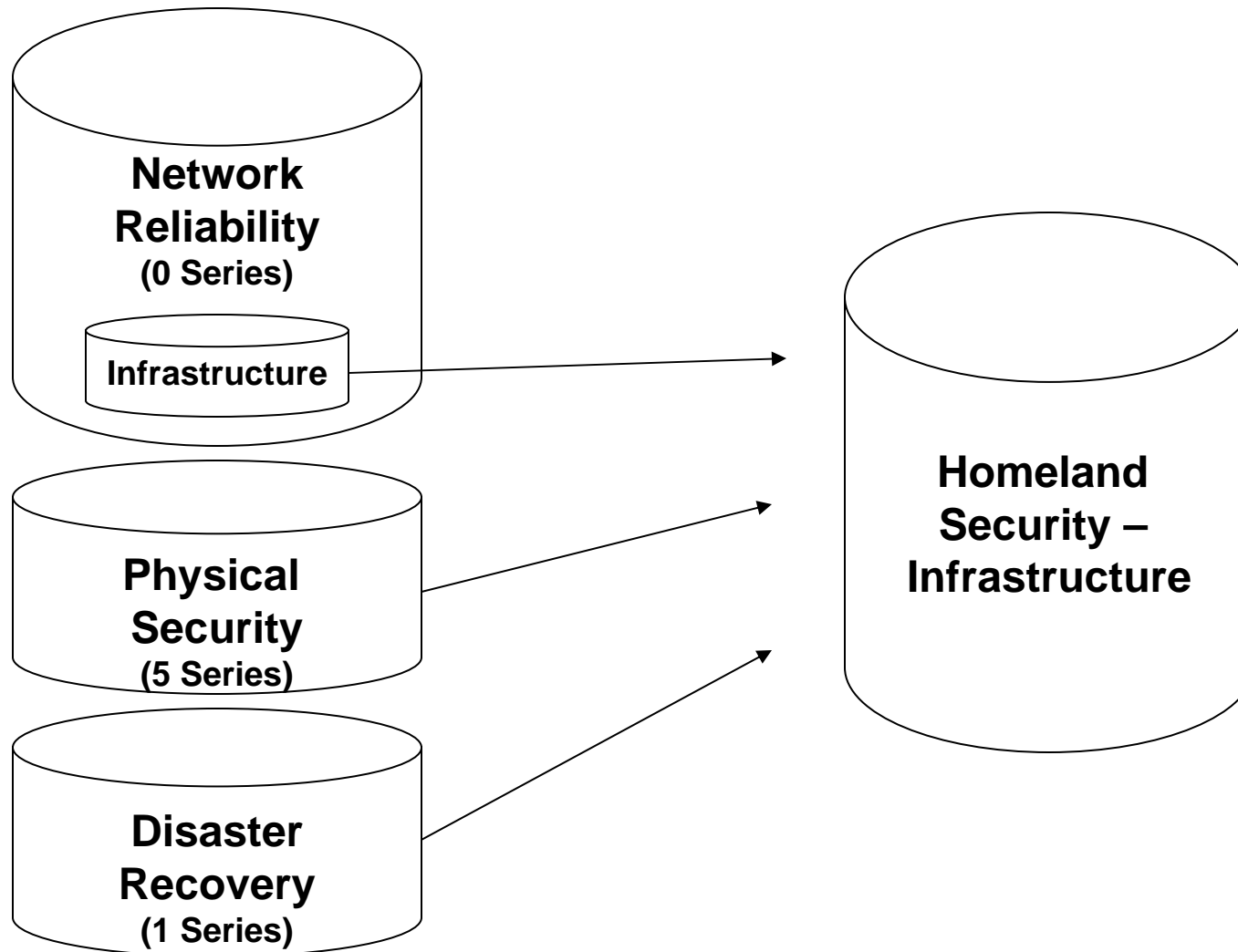
“By December 16, 2005, the Council shall present a final report that describes, in detail, any additions, deletions, or modifications that should be made to the Homeland Security Best Practices that were adopted by the preceding Council.”

Focus Group Structure and Methodology



- Scope includes homeland security best practices from previous NRIC cycles (excluding cyber security)
- Focus on the common services and infrastructure elements used regardless of technology or service
- Refine to address evolving technologies, changing threats, and increased experience of the carriers
- Validate with extended circle of subject matter experts when necessary

Focus Group Scope



Focus Group 2A is reviewing a total of 541 NRIC VI Best Practices as part of its Charter. To date:

- 265 (49%) best practices have been completed, resulting in recommendations to:
 - Change 133 best practices
 - Delete 57 best practices
- Decisions to change were based on target audience, usability, accuracy, and relevance to current issues/environments
 - Example: 5001 – Access control, replaced “positive identification” with “two factor identification”
- Decisions to delete were based on timeliness, technical feasibility, cost effectiveness, and level of duplication
 - Example: 5147 “... actively participate in and endorse the NCS transition to the Department of Homeland Security”

Next Steps

- For December Council Meeting: Deliver Final Report on Homeland Security - Infrastructure Best Practices
 - Complete review of best practices
 - Address new areas of concern
 - e.g., Blended Attacks, Property Management
 - Present Final Report to Council