# You Can't Do It Alone The Power of Collaboration

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# Discussion

- A few common themes between the electrical power and the oil & gas sectors
- The evolution of cybersecurity collaboration within the oil & gas sector
- Lessons learned on the collaboration journey

### Oil & Gas and Electrical Power Sectors

- A few things in common:
  - Critical infrastructure
    - Economic disruption
  - Widespread geographical distribution
    - Long-lived assets
  - Supply chain management

### American Petroleum Institute

Information Technology Security Sub-Committee

- Established to provide a forum for sharing of best practices and knowledge
- Membership API Members only
- Established 2001
- Meets quarterly

### American Petroleum Institute

Information Technology Security Sub-Committee

- Value Proposition
  - Supports API government affairs efforts to provide input on potential security legislation/regulation
  - "Elevate the Industry"
    - Networking between members
    - Benchmarking project
    - ITSS Security Conference
    - Legal briefings data privacy & security

### LOGIIC

Linking the Oil and Gas Industry to Improve Cybersecurity

- Collaborative research and development projects to improve the level of cybersecurity in critical systems of interest to the oil and natural gas sector.
  - Focus on process control systems
  - Vendor involvement
- Partnership with DHS Science & Technology Directorate
- Limited Membership
- Cost sharing by members & DHS
- Established 2004

### LOGIIC

#### Linking the Oil and Gas Industry to Improve Cybersecurity

#### Value Proposition:

- Completed Projects (sampling)
  - Correlation of anomalous events
  - Application whitelisting
  - Safety instrumented system & process control networks integration
  - Policy, standards & controls
- Knowledge and financial leverage
  - Expansion of networks at many levels
  - Vendors gain insight into member concerns
    - Potential to influence vendor products
  - Access to government experts & resources

# Oil & Gas Benchmark Group

- Initially focused on understanding the "cost of security", charter evolved into benchmarking ISO 27001/2 compliance model.
- Established 2011
- Limited membership
- Low meeting frequency
- Cost-sharing

# Oil & Gas Benchmark Group

- Value Proposition
  - Useful comparison against peer group
  - Can more effectively direct limited resources into higher risk environments

# O & G Threat Intelligence

- Objective is to share, on a real-time basis, threat intelligence info for analysis by the members
- Cost sharing
- Restricted membership
- Restricted access to database

# Oil & Gas Threat Intelligence

- Value proposition:
  - Relationship building with peer group
  - Timely information regarding threats

# **Lessons Learned**

- Well-defined charter with clear roles, responsibilities & deliverables
- Need vs. want
- No one can lose
- Ensure all members have "skin in the game"
- Sharpen your conflict resolution tools
- Who's your advocate?

# In summary....

- Leverage
  - Financial
  - Vendor relationships
  - Knowledge transfer
  - Legislation & Regulatory
- Peer group insight & relationships
- Enhanced security profile