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Data center gets key certifications

The Mineral Gap data center in Wise County has announced that four of its systems have been certified by a leading information security organization.

In a press release, owner DP Facilities Inc. said that its building management system (BMS), electrical power management system (EPMS), security operations center (SOC) and network operations center (NOC) have received certification from the HITRUST Alliance.

According to the HITRUST website, HITRUST Alliance, founded in 2007, "is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to champion programs that safeguard sensitive information and manage information risk for organizations across all industries and throughout the third-party supply chain."

HITRUST CSF certified status demonstrates that Mineral Gap "has met key regulations and industry-defined requirements and is appropriately managing risk," according to the DP Facilities press release. "This achievement places Mineral Gap in an elite group of organizations worldwide that have earned this certification. By including federal and state regulations, standards and frameworks, and incorporating a risk-based approach, the HITRUST CSF helps organizations address these challenges through a comprehensive and flexible framework of prescriptive and scalable security controls."

DP Facilities President Mark Gerard said, "The HITRUST CSF is the gold-standard that needs to be met."

HITRUST Chief Compliance Officer Ken Vander Wal said CSF certification "has become the information protection framework for the health care industry, and the CSF Assurance program is bringing a new level of effectiveness and efficiency to third-party assurance."

DP Facilities describes Mineral Gap, located on a 22-acre site in the Lonesome Pine Regional Business and Technology Park in Wise, as offering "cutting-edge technologies and backup systems for connectivity, power and cooling, as well as the resiliency, capacity and reliability required to secure valuable data in the event of a man-made or natural disaster . . . Numerous government agencies have already chosen the facility to house critically important data and services."