OUTBACK2 NET ACCESS AND USER RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENT

OVERVIEW:

The San Diego Supercomputer Center (SDSC) maintains numerous "production networks", which are populated by hosts which are under central configuration control and active operating system management by the SDSC system support departments.

For those systems which this environment is not appropriate, or for which an individual user wishes to maintain (and take responsibility for) user-supported hosts, SDSC has created a non-production network, known as the "Outback2 Net".

(The Outback2 Net is the successor to the previously-used "Outback Net").

All hosts on the Outback2 Net, and all users of those systems, assume complete responsibility for the security of their accounts, data, software and services on those hosts. The only guarantee of service made by SDSC is to provide packet delivery and routing announcements on a "best effort" basis.

Administering a host on the Outback2 Net is a serious responsibility. Without understanding the many issues surrounding computer and network security, you may, accidentally or deliberately, open security holes on your hosts, encounter computer intrusions to your hosts, be used as a base of operations by computer or network intruders, or unknowingly host stolen software or proprietary data.

This agreement exists to make you aware of these issues, and to confirm your willingness to take responsibility for any hosts that you wish to have attached to the SDSC Outback2 Net, so that those hosts may be used in the best interests of SDSC and its users.

No hosts may be attached to the Outback2 Net until this agreement is printed, signed and returned to Security Technologies. Noncompliance with your agreement will result in disconnection of your host(s) from the network, and may lead to account termination.

For the purposes of this document "administration group" refers to Production Systems, Desktop Systems, or Network Services, as appropriate.

Print this document, initial each section, sign and date at the bottom, and return it to Security Technologies.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND SECURITY:

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I understand that I am responsible to make every effort to prevent unauthorized users from gaining access to or using my host(s). I also agree to make every reasonable effort to prevent use of the machine for illegal or unethical purposes by all users, authorized or not.

I understand that for security purposes, SDSC retains the explicit right to monitor and collect all network traffic to or from any host connected to the Outback2 Net. It is my responsibility to ensure that all users of my Outback2 Net host(s) are aware that they have no expectation of privacy while using Outback2 Net hosts. This notice of no expectation of privacy explicitly applies to any and all electronic mail traversing the Outback2 Net, in accordance with the Electronic Communications and Privacy Act. This is because complete monitoring may require the storage of copies of electronic mail as part of the monitored network traffic. SDSC agrees that every reasonable effort will be made to prevent disclosure of such copies of electronic mail to third parties, and that copies of electronic mail will only be examined during the course of specific investigations into specific incidents during limited time periods. SDSC will make reasonable efforts to notify owners of Outback2 hosts before examining mail, where it will not unduly delay or hinder the investigation.

I understand that intruders who gain access to my Outback2 Net host(s) may use those hosts to attempt to gain access to other computer hosts, and that I am responsible for taking all reasonable precautions to ensure that this does not occur.
• If Security Technologies, or an administration group discovers that my Outback2 Net host(s) have been compromised, they may remove it from the network without warning.

• The Outback2 Net is a "shared fate" environment. My host(s) and users may be affected or compromised by the activities of other Outback2 Net hosts and users. Preventing such activity is the shared responsibility of all Outback2 Net users.

• If my Outback2 Net host is compromised, Security Technologies or an administration group may take physical possession of the computer until the investigation is complete. If a copy of my data can be made available within 10 days, the host may be retained indefinitely. If a law enforcement agency becomes involved, my host(s) may be seized by a law enforcement agency as evidence, and the host retained for longer periods. Such a seizure is beyond the control of SDSC and it is not the responsibility of SDSC to intervene to have the equipment returned.

(Initial Here) ETHICS:

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will not examine network traffic not destined for them. This is a blanket prohibition against "packet sniffers" including "password sniffers", unless specifically authorized in advance (by signed PGP email) by Security Technologies.

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will host(s) will not be used for any illegal purpose, and will conform to the policies and procedures of the San Diego Supercomputer Center and the University of California San Diego regarding electronic privacy, electronic mail, gender or racial harassment, "hate speech", etc.

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will not be used to store software intended for use in computer and network intrusions and attacks. This includes but is not limited to knowingly posting or transmitting any software containing a virus, cancelbot, trojan horse, worm or other harmful component. This does not prohibit the storage and use of legitimate network and host analysis software (such as "ping" or "traceroute"), but is intended to prohibit software which has no use other than to intrude upon or attack other systems or networks. If I am uncertain of whether or not a software package is prohibited under this clause, it is my responsibility to seek and obtain a determination from Security Technologies.

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will not be used to receive, transmit or store software, images, data or other information which is unlawful to possess. This includes but is not limited to knowingly uploading, posting, publishing, transmitting, reproducing or distributing information, software or other material that is protected by copyright without obtaining permission of the rights holder; or any other abuse or fraudulent use of the service.

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will not be used to transmit or distribute information, software or other technical data that is controlled by the U.S. Government and requires special authority to export to a foreign entity or a foreign country. This specifically includes export-controlled encryption software and associated technical information. Use of such software by Outback 2 Net hosts is encouraged, but such software may not be distributed from Outback 2 Net hosts if such distribution would be contrary to U.S. law.

• My Outback2 Net host(s) will not be used to transmit Unsolicited Bulk Email, excessively cross-posted or off-topic Usenet news postings and similar activities.

• I will notify Security Technologies, if I go on a leave of absence, will be outside the United States, on extended travel, no longer need an Outback2 Net host, de-install an Outback2 Net host, or wish to install additional Outback2 Net hosts. A laptop is not considered to be "de-installed" when it is removed from the network.

• If I have ANY questions regarding the installation of Outback2 Net hosts, or related topics, I will consult with someone from Security Technologies or the appropriate administration group before proceeding.

Attach a brief description of the planned use of your Outback2 Net host(s). Please specify the actions you expect to perform, how often, for how long, and on which hosts. This will be used as a guideline for "expected activities" and to characterize the network traffic that can be expected to be seen on the Outback2 Net.

Using Outback2 Net hosts for tasks not described will invalidate this agreement.

*** Did you remember to initial each section above? ***
I have read the above and asked for clarification as necessary, signed, and dated this document. I realize that failure to adhere to the above may result in disconnection of my Outback2 Net hosts and further action including account termination and other disciplinary action.

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