

# Local Data Protection (LDP)

**A Case Study  
Laptop Encryption**

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# Agenda

- **Allstate and Information Security – A Snapshot View**
- **Laptop Encryption – Goals, Expectations, Priorities**
- **Technology Acquisition – Vendor Selection Process**
- **Vendor Solution Deployment**
- **Lessons Learned**



## Slide 2

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### **PD1**

As with the rest of this template, this is a suggested agenda that may or may not fit your situation. Please feel free to make changes as you see fit, including adding and changing pages - this is only a template. In general, the idea is to educate folks on the technology challenge you faced, how you addressed it, and the business benefits the project ultimately delivered - or failed to deliver, as the case may be. Keep in mind that people can learn a lot by hearing what went wrong with your project, so don't be afraid to mix the bad with the good.

Paul Desmond, 9/28/2006

# Allstate – A Snapshot

- **Allstate Insurance Company**

- Founded in 1931 as part of Sears, Roebuck & Co, and became a publicly traded company in 1993
- Nation's largest publicly held personal lines insurer with nearly 40,000 employees
- Providing personal financial services and managing risk for our customers
- Providing insurance and financial products to more than 17 million households
  - More than 14,000 agents and financial specialists, and their licensed sales professionals
  - Over 1,000 exclusive financial specialists who provide life insurance and financial products



### Slide 3

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Manufacturing company

2,000 employess

Offices in 23 states

Conservative with respect to technology; low tolerance for risk

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# Allstate's Vision for Information Security

- **Aligned with Corporate and Technology Strategy**
- **Security Solutions Prioritized Based Upon Risk**
- **Operational Excellence**



## **Local Data Protection - Goals**

- **Reduce Risk of Exposure**
- **Minimize Recovery and Support Costs**
- **Ensure Compliance**
- **Enable Productivity and Ease of Use**
- **Leverage Investment in Existing IT Infrastructure**



## **Local Data Protection Priorities**

- **Policy Holder and Applicant Data**
- **Employee Data**
- **PHI**
- **Credit Card Numbers**
- **Confidential Data**
- **Financial Information – Pre Earnings Release**
- **Communications to Competitors, Partners and Suppliers**
- **Source Code**
- **Competitive Sensitive Information**





# Local Data Protection – Multiple Facets

- **Full Disk Encryption** 

- Laptops
- Desktops

- **Encryption of Removable Media**

- USB-enabled Devices – Flash Drives, iPods, Bluetooth Devices, Thumb Drives, Hard Disks
- CD/DVD Writers

- **Password and PIN Controls**

- Blackberry
- Other PDA Devices

- **Standards and Guidelines for Encryption**



## Laptop – Full Disk Encryption Evaluation

- **Step 1: Using the local data protection goals and solution selection criteria**
  - Performed paper analysis of top Gartner Magic Quadrant full disk encryption vendors
  - Interviewed vendors regarding respective product functionality
- **Step 2: Performed hands-on product evaluation per our technology evaluation process at Allstate for candidate vendor Pointsec**
- **Step 3: Based on in-house evaluation results Allstate purchased the following Pointsec products:**
  - Pointsec for PC [now Check Point Endpoint Security Full Disk Encryption]
  - Pointsec Media Encryption (PME) [now Check Point Endpoint Security Media Encryption]
  - webRH



# Encryption Solution Selection Criteria

## Selection Criteria

- ✓ **Strong approved cryptography algorithms (AES)**
- ✓ **Encrypts entire disk (all disk sectors)**
- ✓ **Strong Key (min 128 bits) storage & exchange methods**
- ✓ **Meet Federal Standards Ability to control data viewing privileges of administrators and Contingent workers.**
- ✓ **Separation of administrator's ability to access or manage encryption keys.**
- ✓ **Storage of encrypted keys separately from the encrypted data.**
- ✓ **Audit & Reporting Capabilities**
- ✓ **Mandatory access control feature**
- ✓ **Central Management (GUI)**
- ✓ **Low performance degradation**
  - *Encryption should take approximately 10 GB per hour regardless of amount of information on the hard drive*
  - *1-3% noticeable system performance degradation after disk is fully encrypted*
- ✓ **Key Recovery (primary (onsite), remote (offsite) and DR)**
- ✓ **Interoperability with current Enterprise software**
- ✓ **Support removable media**
- ✓ **Fast robust, reliable initial encryption**
- ✓ **Ease of Implementation (SMS Package)**
  - *Guaranteed installation*
  - *User may not un-install without Administrator approval*
  - *Lowers total cost of ownership (configure and forget)*
- ✓ **Architected cryptographically secure Infrastructure**
- ✓ **Integration into current environment easily**
- ✓ **Throttled background encryption service**
  - *Low priority process*
  - *Allows other applications priority to access processor*
- ✓ **Fault tolerant**
  - *User may shut down during encryption process*
  - *Power outage does not effect encryption process*
- ✓ **Suspend, hibernation, mouse support**



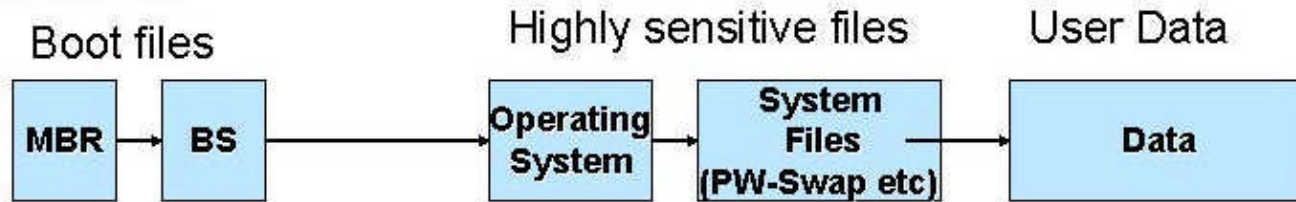
# Laptop – Full Disk Encryption Solution Rationale

- **Pointsec for PC provided the following advantages to Allstate:**
  - Strong security model
  - Leveraged our current SMS infrastructure for deployment and management
  - Supported Allstate's current Image and Break-Fix processes
  - Did not require alteration or replacement of key Windows components: Windows Master Boot Record and the Windows GINA
  - Size of installed base of users
  - Attractive product TCO

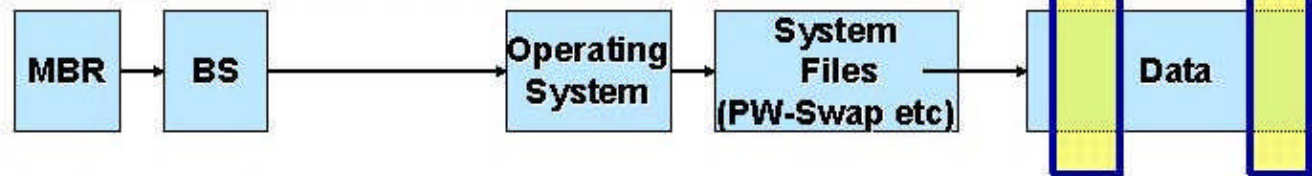


# Pointsec Security Model

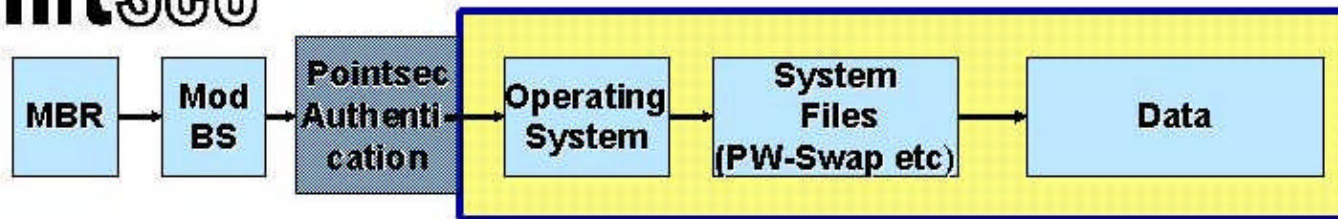
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## File Encryption / PKI / Partial Solutions



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□ = Open information    □ = Secured information    □ = Access Control

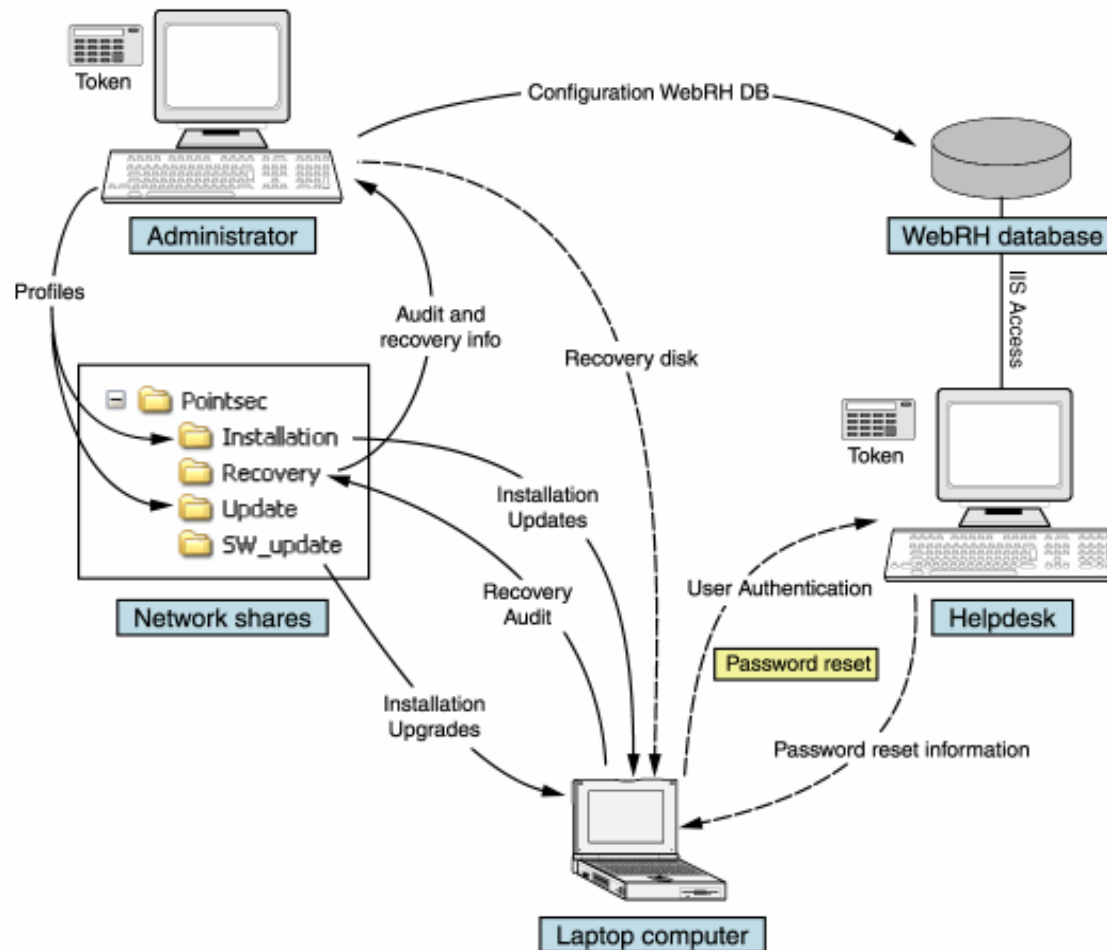


## **Pointsec – Full Disk Encryption Features**

- **Pointsec for PC is a Full Disk Encryption (FDE) product operating on a Full Volume Encryption (FVE) principle, therefore ensuring that all data stored on the laptop is encrypted**
- **Encryption is done at the Window's Filter Driver level and is seamless to the applications running on the laptop**
- **Any access to the laptop from a network connection will see the data in clear text**
- **Initial encryption of the hard drive averages about 15GB/hour and is done in the background as the user performs normal activity**
- **This process can be interrupted and will restart where it left off**
- **Pointsec will throttle the resources needed for initial encryption based on available CPU**
- **Additional overhead once the volumes are encrypted is negligible**
- **When a laptop goes into sleep mode or standby, initial volume encryption will stop**



# Pointsec Installation Model



## Pointsec Installation – Key Considerations

- **Pointsec administration requires the set up of the centralized file server as well as the creation of profiles for user configuration**
- **MSI installation, 10MB package**
- **Management of files will be in a flat hierarchy file share environment**
- **Each machine will act as an intelligent client that stores and gathers information to and from a centralized location while being transparent to the end user**
- **Unique key for each device that's created automatically at installation**
- **Information transferred between the client and the file share server is encapsulated in very small files which are approximately 10k-40K in size, and encrypted with the specified algorithm**
- **Administrators will be capable of managing security settings, update software versions, and view user logs from the central location**
- **To ensure recovery information is available to Help desk staff, it is essential that this directory be regularly backed up**





## **Laptop – Full Disk Encryption Deployment**

- **A pilot was completed successfully for over 60 users from Information Security, Internal Audit, Treasury & Planning, Privacy, Protection, Enterprise Technology, Enterprise Infrastructure, and Senior Officer Group**
- **The following Pointsec products were purchased by Allstate: Pointsec for PC, Pointsec Media Encryption (PME), and webRH**
- **Final pre-deployment enterprise testing was conducted to test product enhancements and updates requested by Allstate**
- **Allstate Claims organization was the first production rollout group**

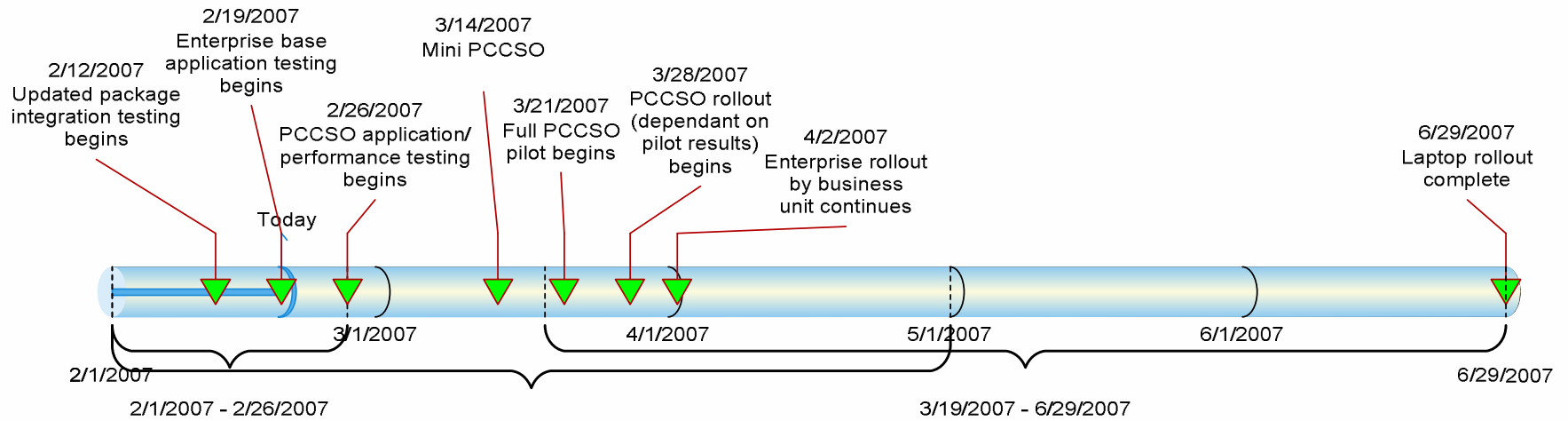


# Laptop – Full Disk Encryption Deployment

- **Full disk encryption was first deployed to approximately 10,000 laptops in areas within the company identified as handling high value data**
  - Claims
  - Executive
  - Agency
  - Law & Regulation
  - Finance & Treasury
  - HR
  - Litigation
  - Investments
- **Full disk encryption is in the process of being deployed to all Allstate owned and managed laptops running latest base image, approximately 18,500 laptops**
- **Laptops running earlier base image and Desktops, an approximate total of 70,000 machines, will be addressed this year**



# Laptop – Full Disk Encryption Timeline



- Testing/Integration:**
- Test the latest update with the Build process
  - Test the latest update with the Break/Fix process
  - Test the latest update with the delta process
  - Retest the Pointsec product with the base OS
  - Retest the Pointsec product with the base applications
  - Determine deployment methodology

- Rollout planning:**
- Identify target business units
  - Identify target laptops
  - Coordinate testing with business units
  - Business unit IO testing
  - Determine rollout schedule
  - Create support processes for rollout support
  - Create rollout communications plan

- Product Rollout:**
- Execute rollout communications plan
  - Rollout product
  - Support rollout
  - Monitor rollout
  - Review rollout results



## Lessons Learned

- **Timely and beneficial technology**
  - Laptop encryption capability has provided increased assurance and has reduced the risk associated with laptop loss or compromise
- **Three suggestions**
  - Establish clear data protection goals, criteria and policies particularly for encryption and key management
  - Establish a communications plan for systematic and smooth deployment of encryption software
  - Do your homework on vendor capabilities versus organizational needs
- **Most significant lesson: Rapid pilot to production deployments are possible when requirements are clear and there is clear alignment of technology strategy and management objectives**

