



Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) TIP #11: Is Your IPAWS Certificate Valid?

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A prospective alerting authority must have a signed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in place with the IPAWS Program Management Office before receiving access to leverage IPAWS capabilities. Once the MOA has been approved, a Collaborative Operating Group Identification (COG ID) and digital certificate will be generated and implemented in the IPAWS-OPEN system. A copy of the executed MOA, along with the COG ID and digital certificate, will then be provided to the sponsoring organization. The COG ID and digital certificate are both necessary for IPAWS use.

Please remember, every three years, the digital certificate and the MOA will expire. The IPAWS PMO will distribute a new digital certificate to a COG via email prior to the previous certificate's expiration.

A separate request must be made for a testing certificate. The testing digital certificate is required to utilize the testing environment with the IPAWS Lab.

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