

Wisconsin Ethics Commission

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Statement on Temporary Disruption of Ethics Commission Web Resources

Issue under investigation, with access partially restored

Madison, Wis. – On Monday, September 9, the Wisconsin Ethics Commission website experienced a temporary disruption. The campaign finance information system (CFIS), lobbying website, and statement of economic interest (SEI) website were temporarily taken offline while the state's cybersecurity team investigated suspicious activity. As of Tuesday, September 10, the lobbying website and SEI websites were restored. The CFIS services are expected to be restored in a few days' time. The systems affected by the outage primarily contain public data that is otherwise publicly available on the website. Security investigation and analysis so far has not uncovered any indications of a data breach, but the Department's Division of Enterprise Technology is collaborating with the Commission to continue recovery and monitoring to ensure a prompt return to normal operations.

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