

Session Title:

CISA: Chemical Security

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Summary:

Chemicals are vital to the economy. They are used to develop machines, provide refrigeration for food, manufacture fuel for vehicles, and build the microchips that run smart phones. However, in the hands of a terrorist, some hazardous chemicals could potentially be weaponized. Managed by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Chemical Facilities Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Program* identifies and regulates high-risk chemical facilities to ensure security measures are in place to reduce the risk of certain hazardous chemicals being weaponized.

CISA's ChemLock program is a completely voluntary program that provides facilities that possess dangerous chemicals no-cost services and tools to help them better understand the risks they face and improve their chemical security posture in a way that works for their business model.

**As of July 28, 2023, Congress has allowed the statutory authority for the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program (6 CFR Part 27) to expire. Therefore, CISA cannot enforce compliance with the CFATS regulations at this time.*

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