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## PCI SECURITY STANDARDS COUNCIL LAUNCHES “AN INSIDER’S GUIDE”

— New eLearning course provides a comprehensive update on the major changes in PCI DSS version 3.0. —

**WAKEFIELD**, Mass., 17 March 2014 —The [PCI](#) Security Standards Council (PCI SSC), a global, open industry standards body providing management of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard ([PCI DSS](#)), [PIN](#) Transaction Security (PTS) requirements and the Payment Application Data Security Standard ([PA-DSS](#)), today announced the creation of a new eLearning training opportunity: An Insider’s Guide to PCI DSS 3.0. Now available online, this new course was developed for professionals in the payment industry who need to understand and implement the important changes to the PCI DSS and underscores the importance of establishing “business as usual” security practices.

[An Insider’s Guide to PCI DSS 3.0](#) provides a comprehensive update focusing on the intent, interpretation and implementation of the major changes from version 2.0 to version 3.0 of the PCI DSS, which was [released in November 2013](#) and became effective January 2014.

“This course is an important tool for companies wanting to streamline their transition for implementing the new version of the standard.” said Bob Russo, general manager, PCI SSC. “We hope organizations will take advantage of this resource in building security practices across their business that address people, process and technology.”

Developed in collaboration with eLearning provider Security Innovation, the 90-minute training course is geared towards individuals responsible for PCI security efforts within an organization to help with the transition process from PCI DSS version 2.0 to version 3.0. Course highlights include:

- Overview of PCI DSS v3.0 Evolving Requirements, Requirement Clarifications, and Additional Guidance, and identifies how changes may affect your environment.
- Guidance on how to use the newly integrated guidance column to simplify your workflow, best practices for implementing PCI DSS into business-as-usual processes, and enhanced testing procedures.
- Knowledge checks, module summaries, and links to additional online resources

An Insider's Guide to PCI DSS 3.0 is available directly through Security Innovation at the introductory rate of \$159.

“The PCI DSS v3.0 contains important evolutionary improvements” said Ed Adams, CEO, Security Innovation. “We are confident that the Insider's Guide will make it easier to grasp and apply the changes from v2.0. We are delighted to see the PCI Council's ongoing commitment to develop high quality training materials in direct response to requests for more emphasis on professional and general security education from their worldwide constituency.”

Additional information may be found on Security Innovation's website at:

<https://www.securityinnovation.com/products/pci-insider-update/>

### **About the PCI Security Standards Council**

The [PCI](#) Security Standards Council is an open global forum that is responsible for the development, management, education, and awareness of the PCI Data Security Standard ([PCI DSS](#)) and other standards that increase payment data security. Founded in 2006 by the major payment card brands American Express, Discover Financial Services, JCB International, MasterCard Worldwide and Visa Inc., the Council has over 700 Participating Organizations representing merchants, banks, processors and vendors worldwide. To learn more about playing a part in securing payment card data globally, please visit: [pcisecuritystandards.org](http://pcisecuritystandards.org).

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