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#### MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

FROM: Ann Lewis

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**Authorizing Official** 

THRU: Bo Berlas Ashley Mahan

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SUBJECT: Authority to Operate (ATO) Extension for Federalist

CONDITION(S): With Conditions

SYSTEM TYPE: Federal System

DATE: December 30, 2022

EXTENSION THRU DATE: September 30, 2023

**CURRENT ATO** 

EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2022

LAST FULL

ASSESSMENT DATE: July 3, 2018

LAST cloud.gov Pages

FULL ASSESSMENT DATE: October 19, 2022

This is an extension of the Lightweight Security Authorization ATO for Federalist. The extension is necessary due to the Federalist system consolidating into Cloud.gov Pages for its ATO, and to allow a migration of existing websites in the Federalist boundary to new ATOs based on the cloud.gov Pages Customer Responsibility Matrix (CRM).

# **RATIONALE FOR EXTENSION:**

cloud.gov Pages was approved via the FedRAMP Significant Change Request (SCR) process on June 30, 2022 and a revised CRM was made available on November 16, 2022 as required by the previous ATO condition.



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The existing Federalist platform is technically encompassed in the cloud.gov Pages boundary and shares the same data back end. All components are managed, patched and updated in accordance with the cloud.gov SSP according to FedRAMP requirements.

The underlying hosting service, cloud.gov Pages, is authorized under the existing cloud.gov ATO as a FedRAMP Moderate Cloud Service Offering (CSO)

Federalist sites only differ in configuration, utilizing GitHub Auth vs cloud.gov UAA for authentication. All existing Federalist sites are in the process of migrating from legacy Federalist authentication to cloud.gov UAA, and will complete this migration by March 31, 2023.

This extension request is for the existing sites covered under the Federalist ATO operating on cloud.gov Pages. The ATO conditions below require a migration of sites from the existing ATO boundary, to new ATOs authorized by their respective agencies. The conditions below do not allow for any new agreements under the Federalist ATO after April 1, 2023. GSA must develop and authorize its implementation of cloud.gov Pages to allow GSA to launch sites after April 1, 2023.

The current ATO expiration for the Federalist information system is December 31, 2022.

**CURRENT OVERALL SYSTEM STATE:** The system continues to operate with modest changes since its prior assessment.

Federalist POA&M Status: Total Open POA&Ms - 1, Delayed High/Critical POA&Ms - 0

Federalist Sites POA&M Status: Total Open POA&Ms - 3, Delayed High/Critical POA&Ms - 0

#### COMPLETED EXISTING ATO CONDITIONS:

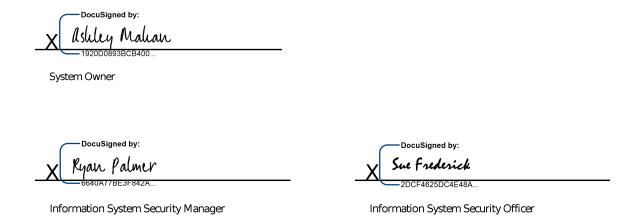
- Complete the FedRAMP Significant Change Request (SCR) process to include Federalist/Pages as a component in the overall Moderate cloud.gov P-ATO, complete all supporting reviews and documentation (Pen Test, code review, review of all documentation and controls that are changing in the SSP and related compliance documentation, such as Incident Response and Contingency Plan).
- 2. This is the final ATO extension. Federalist system must complete the SCR process per condition 1, or complete the GSA Full Low ATO process outlined in GSA 06-30, including all documentation and assessment prior to ATO expiration.

I am requesting an extension to the security authorization of the Federalist information system until September 30, 2023.



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# **REQUEST AUTHORIZATION:**



Based on the request and information provided, I am issuing an extension to the authorization to operate (ATO) for the Federalist information system. This authorization is valid until September 30, 2023 or the conditions below have been satisfied and a new ATO letter issued.

This extension includes the following conditions:

- 1. Cloud.gov will complete the migration of Federalist sites from Github Authentication to Cloud.gov UAA by March 31, 2023.
- 2. GSA will develop a migration and authorization plan for GSA Federalist sites by February 28, 2023 and implement by September 30, 2023.
- 3. Cloud.gov will continue to provide operational support for sites covered under the Federalist ATO until sites have been migrated and the Federalist system is disposed.
- 4. Cloud.gov will track the migration of all sites covered by Federalist ATO agreements, and will dispose of the Federalist system by September 30, 2023; agreements and sites will align to the following dates:
  - a. New agreements prior to April 1, 2023 may be covered under the Federalist ATO until September 30, 2023
  - b. No new Federalist ATO agreements will be created after April 1, 2023
  - c. Federalist customers with existing agreements may maintain existing sites and launch new sites under the agreement until September 30, 2023

APPROVED.	CONCURRENCE



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**Authorizing Official** 

X Bo Bulas

Chief Information Security Officer

Copies of the authorization package are available for review at the GSA facilities in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. If you have any questions or comments regarding this authorization to operate, please contact the ISSO Support Division (IST) Director.

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