

95. Please describe the critical internal control weaknesses:

Wave 1

1. Could issue fraudulent travel claims mostly mileage.
2. AP vouchers can be changed by the person approving the payments. Individuals with final approval authority can change the payees name, address & amount.

Wave 2

1. I believe weakness exist because of confusion about the approval process and the process of adding scanned documents to transactions.
2. Travel claims can be prepared and submitted by a person for another person. The travel module does not require the employee whose claim has been entered to verify the information in the claim.
3. incomplete/inaccurate information void confidence in the system reliability

Wave 3

1. 1)Only one signature is required to pay a bill. 2)It is so easy to drop the project/grant coding off of a federal transaction causing no federal money to be drawn. 3)Coding is so complex transactions will be difficult for anyone to ever key correctly. 4) The system is to cumbersome for a large decentralized government like ours. It is meant for a more centralized setting. 5)Simple tasks like depositing small amounts of money into the bank have been relegated into a technical nightmare. Same with checking out a state car. How simple should that be. Not on Edison??? With difficult and time consuming processes come errors and the desire and need to circumvent the process.
2. From what I can tell, the Edison electronic environment allows subsequent approvers to make changes to contracts and procurement transactions. At the end of these approval processes it will be very difficult to compare exactly what was initiated versus what was eventually approved. The bill payment module may have similar weaknesses. Also, the "streamlined" approval process required by Edison forces us to cut out many of the programmatically knowledgeable approvers that we feel are essential to a sound approval process.