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Report reveals DevelopmentWA, Synergy, Pilbara Ports and the Insurance Commission of WA generally efficient and effective in managing staff exits

The Auditor General's report, <u>Staff Exit Controls for Government Trading Enterprises</u>, tabled in Parliament today.

The report found that Synergy, DevelopmentWA, the Insurance Commission of WA and Pilbara Ports Authority have been generally effective and efficient in managing the exit of staff to minimise security, asset and financial risks, however areas for improvement remain.

Auditor General Ms Caroline Spencer said entities were not consistently managing the return of assets on the day of termination and only one consistently cancelled access to information systems within 24 hours of the exit date.

Entities need good exit controls to ensure when a staff member leaves that premises and information is protected and all public assets recovered.

'Ineffective controls increase the risk of security breaches and the loss of information, physical assets and public money.

The report also contains a <u>better practice guide</u> which provides an overview of the key requirements entities should consider in their staff exit process.

'The challenges identified in the report are not confined to the audited entities, all public sector entities are encouraged to consider the findings, recommendations and better practice guide to ensure they have effective staff exit controls in place,' Ms Spencer said.

Report resources

- PDF version
- summary video