**Definitions:**

* Business Impact Analysis (BIA): examines the potential result of disruption to key business functions and collects the information necessary to determine short-term and long-term recovery objectives. A BIA includes analysis of both operational and financial impacts that could stem from the loss of key business functions. The following impacts should be considered as part of a BIA:
	+ How many personnel are impacted (potential for outsourcing, overtime labor)
	+ Lost or delayed sales
	+ Regulatory fines
	+ Financial and relationship penalties for not fulfilling contractual obligations
	+ Customer dissatisfaction
	+ Customer loss
	+ Delay of new business plans
* Business Function: an operation or process that is necessary to the ongoing success of an organization. Examples of business functions include:
	+ Customer service call centers
	+ Print and web advertising plans
	+ Maintenance of relationships with suppliers
	+ Employee recruitment
* Recovery Time Objective: the time within which a business function must be restored after a business interruption in order to prevent irreversible damage.

**How to use this document:**

Every business has distinct business functions in place in order for the company to operate and thrive. Some businesses will identify just a few key functions, while others will identify many. Copy and paste the table on Page 2 onto subsequent pages as needed. When complete, reorder the pages by priority, with the highest priority business functions listed first. Delete this initial direction page prior to saving.

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**Business Impact – Key Function Priority 1**

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| **Business Function:** | **Recovery Time Objective**: |
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| **Business Category** (delete all that do not apply): |  |
| Procurement, Logistics and Distribution |  |
| Operations |  |
| Product or Service Development |  |
| Marketing, Sales and Customer Accounts |  |
| Customer and Aftersales Services |  |
| General Management and Firm Infrastructure |  |
| Human Resource Management |  |
| Technology and Process Development |  |
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| **Departments Impacted:** | **Key Personnel:** |
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| **Lost Sales and Income:** | **Regulatory Fines:** |
| One week estimate: |  |
| **Contractual Penalties:** |
| One month estimate: |
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| **Short-term Recovery Plans:** |  |
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| **Long-term Recovery Plans:** |  |
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