

NAID[®] Certification Application

January 2010

U.S. & Canada Applicants only

Company Name: _____ Audit Contact: _____
Physical Address: _____ Unit/Ste: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Profile Information

Year Destruction Business Established: _____ Total Number of Access & Non-Access Individuals for this Location: _____

General Liability (Aggregate or Umbrella) Indemnification Level: \$ _____ million

Normal Hours of Operation: _____

No. Of Vehicles/Trucks in Fleet: Mobile Destruction/Shredding: _____ Collection: _____

Are any of your Destruction or Collection Vehicles stored at a location other than address above?

No Yes, at the following address: _____

Typically, the First Truck of the Day is Dispatched at (Indicate time): _____

Operation(s) Application is for:

MOBILE

Do your destruction trucks & drivers service any of your other company locations?

No Yes - To Certify, please include all drivers on employee list and indicate location(s)

City & State: _____

PLANT-BASED

Other than information destruction, what other operations take place within the building (check all that apply)?

None

Recycling (of unshredded paper) Records Storage Other (please indicate): _____

Do you utilize Collection Facilities or Transfer Processing Stations (check all that apply)?

NO (no Collection Facilities & no Transfer Processing Stations)

Collection Facilities utilized (# Facilities): _____

Transfer Processing Stations* utilized (# Stations): _____

*Transfer Processing Station Audit (see Definition) – must be audited and meet the physical facility security requirements.

Application must indicate all Transfer Processing Stations (and their addresses) used by a Plant-based Destruction Branch.

Media Endorsement(s) for: (Must check (apply for) at least one – See Definitions Page for descriptions of the media below)

PAPER OR PRINTED MEDIA

MICRO MEDIA (Microfiche or Microfilm only)

Physical Destruction of Conventional COMPUTER HARD DRIVES

Do you offer any of the services above, for which you are NOT seeking Certification? No Yes (specify): _____

Application Fee (per site): \$825 for Mobile or Plant-based Operation \$660 per Transfer Processing Station*
\$935 for BOTH Mobile & Plant-based Operations \$935 for Mobile Op w/Transfer Processing Station

Payment Info & Amount: \$ _____

Enclosed Check (Payable to "NAID") Check No.: _____

Mastercard Visa AmEx Card# _____ - _____ - _____ Expires (mo/yr): ____/____

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

NAID Use Only			
New or Recert:	Auditor:	Audit #: _____ - _____	
Received: ____/____/____	Complete: ____/____/____	DBS Updates: ____/____/____	Packet Sent: ____/____/____
Audit Appt.: ____/____/____	Auditor Rec: ____/____/____	CRB Approval: ____/____/____	Expires: ____/____/____
Funds given to controller: ____/____/____	Invoice: YES NO	Audit required: YES NO	

Employment Information Disclaimer

All organizations applying for NAID certification are expected to comply with any and all national, state, local, or other laws regarding the collection, maintenance and disclosure of employee information, and all laws regulating employment practices, in the jurisdiction governing the location for which the applicant company is applying for certification or does business. NAID is not responsible for the compliance of its individual certified members. Therefore, if the applicant company believes that anything in this Application or the audit process is, or may be, violative of any laws applicable to the applicant company, such company must notify NAID, concurrently with the submission of its Certification Application or during the audit, as applicable, of the practices or disclosures which are believed by the applying organization to be in conflict with or violative of any relevant laws. In addition, such notification must include a statement of and citation to the applicable law, code, ordinance or other legal authority. NAID will then analyze the law, code, ordinance or other legal authority to determine whether the applicant company may be exempted from the particular criteria, practice or disclosure. NAID will notify the applicant company in writing of such determination.

In addition, a particular requirement of this application, although permissible under applicable laws and regulations, may violate applicable laws and regulations if applied in an impermissible manner, particularly in regard to hiring and retention practices. You should consult your own legal counsel to determine whether your hiring and retention policies and practices comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

Additional Required Materials: (to be submitted with application)

- 1) **Access Individuals and Non-Access Individuals) list** - A list of all employees/individuals broken down by "Access Individuals" and "Non-Access Individuals" indicating title/position/responsibility (driver, owner, manager, processing, etc) and for "Non-Access Individuals" the reason the individuals have been classified this way. Also, the Applicant must indicate any employees who are not citizens of the employer's country.
(See the Definitions document for detailed descriptions of Access Individuals and Non-Access Individuals).
- 2) **List of Destruction and Collection Vehicles** – A List of all mobile information destruction and collection vehicles, including Vehicle make & model, VIN, License Plate Number and the State the vehicle is licensed in.
- 3) **List of Recipients of Destroyed Media** – List should include all companies receiving destroyed media from Applicant within the last year and ultimate responsible disposition of materials (pulping, incineration, smelting, etc.)
- 4) **Subcontractor list** (if applicable) – A list of all companies or agents used within the last year to subcontract any part of the information destruction process indicating what aspects of the process for which they are responsible and accept custody (See Definitions page)
- 5) **Special Consideration Letter** (*only applicable for hardship or extreme circumstances*) – Letter requesting a temporary or conditional qualification for a specific Certification criteria; Only considered under extreme or special circumstances, applicant must submit this written request (on company letterhead & signed by an official company representative) with their Certification Application. The letter must identify the specific criteria, detail the hardship or special circumstance for consideration, and state how the applicant will achieve the intent of the criteria given their circumstances. The Certification Review Board will review and respond to all requests.

We agree with and are bound to the following: (Please initial each item and sign on bottom)

1. Certification is optional and is not required for NAID membership.
2. Owners or Senior management of the Division of the Company that conducts the secure shredding operation has read and understands the NAID Certification Audit Methodology, which makes clear the documentation, facilities and equipment that each location will be required to have available and immediately accessible to the auditor.
3. Any failure to make accessible for inspection all documentation, facilities, and equipment on the date, time and location identified on the *Auditor Assignment & Confidentiality Agreement* (Appointment) Form may result in failure to be certified, forfeiture of the application fee, additional fees for the failures, re-auditing or other expenses, and/or require that we reapply if we want to pursue this credential. Also, failure to met the criteria for the type(s) indicated on this application may be considered a failure of the audit.
4. All application fees are non-refundable, except in the instance where the Auditor fails to conduct the audit on the date, time and location indicated on the *Auditor Assignment & Confidentiality Agreement* (Appointment) form; and when, in such circumstance, the Company decides to withdraw their application.
5. At no time will the label "NAID Certification" or "NAID Certified" be applied, referenced or inferred to facilities or operations of the Company where 1) the location and operating details related to the facility or operation have not been specifically and formally provided to NAID for participation in the NAID Certification program, or 2) the facility or operation does not have any involvement related to the collection, transport, processing and/or destruction of Confidential Customer Materials.
6. The Company must reapply for certification on an annual basis, prior to the expiration of the current certification. If the Company chooses not to reapply and/or not to submit to the required audit, it will result in loss of Certification. Loss of certification will not affect NAID membership.
7. The Company will hold NAID harmless from any claim of damage or loss as a result of the Company's failure to achieve Certification.

8. The Company agrees that any location seeking NAID Certification will be certified for Micro Media (Microfiche and Microfilm) destruction only if the Company: 1) indicates in the application for such location that the location possesses equipment that meets the required specification; 2) the equipment was inspected by the auditor at the time of the NAID Certification audit; and 3) the destruction is being performed at the location (generally only at plant-based operations) for which the Company is seeking Certification.
9. The Company agrees that any location seeking NAID Certification will be certified for Computer Hard Drive destruction only if: 1) the Company has an established and published standard destruction method for physically destroying computer hard drives; 2) all customers receiving Computer Hard Drive Destruction services have agreed to or have been notified in writing to these standard procedures or other specific procedures; 3) these standard procedures have been demonstrated to the NAID Auditor during the NAID Certification audit of this location; and 4) the destruction is being performed at the location (generally only at plant-based operations) for which the Company is seeking Certification.
10. The Company understands and agrees that if a location becomes Certified for Mobile Operations only, then the Company must always destroy while on or near the customer's premises unless the customer has agreed in writing (including notification to the customer by e-mail or as part of the customer's agreement with the Company) to permit destruction at a site remote from the customer's location. If the Company's mobile unit performs the shredding away from the customer site without such written consent or notice, the Company will be considered to be no longer following the Mobile Certification standards and may be subject to review and investigation by the Certification Review Board.
11. The Company understands and agrees that if the Company is applying for Plant-based Operations, the Company must maintain at least 90 days of CCTV recordings for each plant or Transfer Processing Station and must be able to produce them during the time of an audit. If the Company is unable to produce the 90 days of recordings at an audit, the Company may be subject to a reaudit, including associated costs for this reaudit.
12. The Company understands that the specifications and fees for certification are subject to change at the discretion of the NAID Board of Directors.
13. All of the Company's employees are legally registered to work in the country to which this Application applies, and the Company has all necessary documentation to confirm this (see the Employment Information Disclaimer).
14. The Company understands that it is responsible for ensuring that background checks of current and prospective employees and any use of consumer reports for employment purposes comply with the mandates of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.
15. If restrictive employment agreements are in place that would prevent the Company from conducting drug screening and/or criminal record searches, the Company will provide a detailed description of such restrictions with this application.
16. The Company understands that random Unannounced Audits are part of the Certification Program. Only if asked and not a hardship, the Company will allow access to a NAID Certification Auditor for purposes of conducting such Unannounced Audits.
17. The Company understands and agrees that the NAID Certification Auditor may inspect and test its access control systems related to the facilities, containers and vehicles used to provide secure destruction services during announced and unannounced audits and will not consider such inspection and testing to be a violation of the law, provided such inspection and testing does not result in property damage or the risk of personal injury and is undertaken solely for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with NAID Certification.
18. At any time during the application and/or audit process or after Certification, the Company acknowledges that NAID, its agents and/or the Certification Auditor may investigate or require additional information or documentation from the Company in order to verify information on this Application or the Certification criteria.
19. The Company understands and agrees that all of its employees and agents will refrain from any false or misleading claims, suggestions or references regarding NAID Certification, including but not limited to such claims used in advertising produced in advance and/or in anticipation of NAID Certification at some future date.
20. If at any time during the process of an audit of the Company or its locations, or during its Certification, *any* of the information submitted as part of the Application changes, such as, but not limited to, a change in ownership, change in operations, change in address, or closure of a location, the Company must notify NAID in writing within 15 days of this status change. **Failure to do so may result in fines, sanctions and/or revocation of Certification.**
21. The Company agrees that all destruction locations will utilize Company service paperwork or contract that includes customer acknowledgement, receipt or agreement regarding the specific service it is receiving. If destruction services rendered by the Company after it is NAID Certified are not among those for which the Company is NAID Certified, but such services could be NAID Certified (plant-based, mobile operations or sanitization operations, and/or destruction endorsements for paper/printed media, micro media or computer hard drives) and/or are recycling services of unshredded/intact paper, then the Customer must be notified in writing that such service is NOT NAID Certified. This written notification may be contained on a materials receipt, certificate of destruction, current customer agreement/contract or another written notice (including e-mail or another electronic method that may be printed) delivered by the Company to the customer/recipient of services.

Company Name: _____

22. The Company agrees that if any location for which it is seeking NAID Certification becomes certified, then if at any time during the audit process or Certification the Company elects to discontinue any or all Certification operations or endorsements for such location, the Company must notify NAID in writing within 30 days of this status change and has an ethical responsibility to inform clients (aware of the Company's Certification status) of the change.
23. The Company understands that ALL NAID certifiable services/operations being offered to the Company's customers must be Certified by January 1, 2011, in order to maintain NAID Certified status. If the Company is not, at the time of this application, seeking Certification for all certifiable services being offered, it must submit an additional application and fees prior to December 31, 2010 to apply for Certification for the additional services. **Failure to apply for and/or successfully pass an audit of all certifiable operations prior to January 1, 2011 will result in the removal of all NAID Certifications.**
24. The Company understands that the NAID Auditor does NOT approve or deny Certification. The Auditor's findings will be submitted to the NAID Certification Review Board for approval, determination of remedial or corrective actions and/or additional fees necessary to approve a Certification, or denial of application.
25. The Company has 14 business days (as determined by the date on the notice sent to the Company regarding the results of an audit) to submit to the Certification Review Board in writing any protest of the results of an audit. The Company understands that the protest should clearly state the perceived reason of the failure to achieve Certification and why the finding is incorrect. The Company understands that the Certification Review Board will rule on the dispute within one month from receiving it. The Company will accept the ruling of the Certification Review Board as final and seek no further remedy, legal or otherwise, except to reapply for Certification at the Company's discretion.
26. This Application is truthful and accurately represents the daily operating procedures of the Company's secure shredding operations. The Company understands that if any of its representatives willfully deceive NAID or a Certification Auditor, the Company could be immediately removed from NAID, or the Certification may be revoked.
27. Indications of the signatory's initials above and the signature below acknowledge that I am an owner, corporate officer or official representative of the Company submitting this Application. The undersigned has full authority to request that the Company apply for NAID Certification and submit to any requisite audits, with full knowledge of the Company's operation to accurately complete the Application, and the authority to execute this agreement.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Title: _____

Company: _____

	Initial	Criteria	Audit Methodology
EMPLOYEE REQUIREMENTS			
1.1	Applicant Claims <hr/> Auditor Verifies <hr/>	<p><i>All Access Individuals and Non-Access Employees</i> must sign a Confidentiality Agreement and employees must be legally Registered to work at company.</p> <p><i>(See Employment Information Disclaimer.)</i></p>	<p>Files for all Access Individuals* and Non-Access Employees' must contain the following documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confidentiality Agreement • I-9 for US employees hired after November 7, 1986 or proper work registration <p>In addition to the documents listed above, screening for Access Individuals* must include:</p>
1.2	Applicant Claims <hr/> Auditor Verifies <hr/>	<p>Access Individuals are subject to the employment screening restriction requirements of NAID Certification, including employment verification, criminal background check and initial employment drug-screening.</p> <p><i>(See Employment Information Disclaimer.)</i></p> <p>* Access Individuals who are 1) Subcontractors, independent contractors, or employees thereof , 2) officers, directors, owners and/or partners of the Company but who are not engaged in the day-to-day operation of the Company, or 3) other individuals who have access to or can grant or authorize access to the Confidential Customer Media to be destroyed at the Company's location are exempt from the employment verification, drug screening requirements, and I-9 requirements. This means that any Access Individuals representing the Headquarters of the Company's information destruction division, minimally the President/Vice President of area &/or Audit Coordinator, must have criminal background searches conducted.</p> <p>Also, for Non-Employees or Subcontractors, the Company may have a written agreement in place stating that the current NAID Certification employee screening requirements are being met, in lieu of the actual records.</p> <p>This location has Restrictive employee agreements in place that prevents drug screening and/or criminal record searches for certain individuals</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes and attached is a letter stating who and what employee screening restrictions are in place.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 Year Criminal Record Search: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Security Header Search ○ Statewide database search for all states on SS Header Search ○ County database search for all counties on SS Header Search • 7 Year Employment History Verification • Pre-hire or Initial Drug Screening <p>*Access Individuals who are exempt from the employment verification, drug screening requirements, and I-9 requirements are 1) officers, directors, owners and/or partners of the applicant company not engaged in the day-to-day operation of the applicant company, 2) others who have access to, can grant or authorize access to the Confidential Customer Media to be destroyed at the applicant's location but are not engaged in the day-to-day destruction operations, and/or 3) independent contractors, Subcontractors or employees thereof.</p> <p>For independent contractors, Subcontractors, and/or employees thereof, the Company may have a written agreement or certificate issued by such contractor stating that the current NAID Certification employee screening requirements are being met, in lieu of the actual records.</p> <p>Based on the list of Access and Non-Access Employees submitted with the Application, auditor will request evidence of the appropriate documentation in the individual files of this operation location as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Where applicant company has 7 or fewer Access and/or Non-Access Employees, auditor will request verification of applicable documentation for all Access and Non-Access Employees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">If the applicant company has more than 7 Access and/or Non-Access Employees, auditor will request verification of applicable documentation for a random sample , totaling 25% of the entire Access and Non-Access Employees List, with a minimum of 7 individuals and a maximum of 15 individuals to be selected.</p> <p>When randomly selecting individuals' files, the Auditor should attempt to choose individuals from each category of Access Individual, i.e. driver, processor/sorter, driver helper, etc. Auditor to identify which files were checked so that these individuals' files may be exempted from the random selection process during future audits.</p> <p>If Auditor finds any missing documentation in representative sampling, he may request applicable documentation for additional Access and/or Non-Access Employees.</p> <p>Auditor must inspect applicable documentation for all Non-Citizen Employees and Access Individuals who are owners, partners or senior managers (of destruction division) of the Company.</p> <p>A Criminal Record Search must be conducted for each place of residence and employment during the previous 7 years and obtained through a third-party background search service. For all places in the U.S., both statewide and county-by-county searches must be conducted for any record searches conducted after July 1, 2005. Prior to that date, either statewide or county-by-county searches were acceptable. If both statewide and county searches are not available in a particular state, the applicant may do the one available and provide documentation to support the unavailability of the other. Searches done at the federal/national level are not required and may not be used in lieu of state or county level searches. <i>For all places in Canada</i>, searches must on a province/territory basis and obtained through a third-party background search service or Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC).</p> <p>When searches are being conducted in places outside of the U.S. every effort should be made to have the searches done at a level comparable to the statewide and county-by-county searches done in the U.S.</p> <p><i>(NOTE: Continued on the next page)</i></p>

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			<p><i>(NOTE: Continued from the previous page)</i></p> <p>A social security header search must be conducted prior to the criminal background investigation to ensure all states and counties of residence and employment have been included (and verified) in the investigation. Prior to January 1, 2006, the Social Security Header search was not required for Certification.</p> <p>The criminal record search must be current, meaning that it was conducted within the last seven years from the current date.</p> <p>No person subject to a felony conviction in the last seven years for any crime involving theft (of tangible or intangible property), fraud, burglary or larceny may be employed in a capacity where they may come in contact with confidential client information. This applies to all Access Individuals.</p> <p>The employment screening is applicable to all Access Individuals (other than those exempt from these requirements as mentioned above) regardless of length of service or pre-existing employment status, except where there is a restrictive employment agreement in place. Access Individuals whose employment or relationship predates the implementation of NAID Certification policies, must be retroactively screened, and, if necessary, restricted from access to Confidential Customer Media.</p>
1.3	<p>Applicant Claims</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Auditor Verifies</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Access Individuals, other than those exempted from the drug screening requirements as discussed above, are monitored for drugs/substance abuse by one of the following methods (applicant to check the option used):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Option #1: On a random basis, 50% of employees are drug-screened annually.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Option #2: The local management has been trained in a qualified (pre-approved by NAID) "Substance Abuse Recognition Awareness Program."</p> <p><i>(See Employment Information Disclaimer.)</i></p>	<p>Auditor will look to see evidence of the method indicated on the Application:</p> <p>Option #1: Invoices/results from drug testing lab for random sampling drug screening of 50% of employees</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Option #2: Documentation showing Program approval from NAID and proof that on-site management has completed this Substance Abuse Recognition training within the last year.</p>
1.4	<p>Applicant Claims</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Auditor Verifies</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>All Access Employees have criminal record searches conducted every three years by the following method (select only one):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Option #1: One-third of Access Individuals have been randomly selected and criminal record searches conducted annually.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Option #2: One-third of all Access Individuals are screened the first year, a different 1/3 are screened the following year, and the remaining 1/3 are screened in the third year.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Option #3: All Access Individuals have Criminal Record searches conducted every three years.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Year of most recent search: _____.</p> <p><i>(See Employment Information Disclaimer.)</i></p>	<p>Auditor to see documentation from an outside agency or source which verifies that one-third of the Access Individuals have had criminal record searches annually or that all Access Individuals are screened every three years.</p>
1.5	<p>Applicant Claims</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Auditor Verifies</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Drivers meet all licensing requirements of the governmental jurisdiction.</p> <p><i>(See Employment Information Disclaimer.)</i></p>	<p>The applicable law or regulation for commercial driver licenses will be made available and examined by the auditor. Auditor will request driver license verification, and any other items required by law for all drivers listed on the Access and Non-Access Employees List.</p>

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OPERATIONAL SECURITY			
2.1	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	The firm has written policies and procedures for drivers and destruction processing employees.	Auditor to inspect copy of policies and procedures manuals
2.2	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	Access Individuals display company-issued photo I.D. badges at all times on duty. Badges must minimally include a photo, employee name and company name.	Auditor to inspect employees present to see that all are wearing appropriate photo I.D. badges.
2.3	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	While at customer's location, drivers and other employees of contractor must wear a specific uniform (minimum of company shirt) to improve recognition by customers.	Auditor to inspect uniform of at least one driver and confirm that wearing a uniform is specified in policies and procedure manual(s).
2.4	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	At time of media pick-up, customer must be provided with a receipt or certificate of destruction indicating type and quantity of media and an acknowledgement of the services rendered. An electronic receipt is acceptable, provided there is a verifiable electronic audit trail and the ability to provide the customer with the printed information. If destruction services rendered by the Company after NAID certification are not NAID Certified, but such services could be NAID Certified (plant-based or offsite services, mobile operations or sanitization operations, and/or destruction endorsements for paper/printed media, micro media or computer hard drives) and/or are recycling services of unshredded/intact paper, then the recipient of the services must be notified in writing that such service is NOT NAID Certified. This written notification may be contained on a materials receipt, certificate of destruction, current customer agreement/contract or another written notice (including e-mail or another electronic method that may be printed) delivered by the Company to the customer/recipient of services.	Auditor will inspect the company policies and procedures manual to ensure that customer documentation process contains the requisite information and will inspect a copy or sample of the customer documentation. If applicable, Auditor must inspect a copy or sample of the customer documentation when destruction or recycling services are NOT NAID Certified to verify such notification is stated. <i>For Plant-based operation only.</i> If a Subcontractor is used for transport prior to destruction, the Subcontractor must provide the customer and the Applicant Company with the customer receipt documentation. Auditor to verify documentation has been provided by the Subcontractor and is being utilized by inspecting a copy of a past customer receipt..
2.5	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	All media for destruction are always attended by a Company employee or physically secured from unauthorized access while in the custody of the destruction contractor before they are destroyed.	The auditor will verify that containers used in the field to transport media for destruction. from the client's facility to the destruction provider's vehicle have operable locks and are locked when unattended. Auditor will inspect the company policies and procedures manual to assure that custody of the media for destruction is addressed. For Plant-based operations, Auditor will determine that there is a secured area designated for holding media when unattended until that media can be destroyed.
2.6	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	All media are securely contained during transfer from customers' custody to transportation vehicle to prevent loss from wind or other atmospheric conditions.	Auditor to inspect collection equipment used by the contractor in the field to make sure it protects the media from loss due to wind, tipping/spillage or other atmospheric conditions. If in the field, Auditor to check area around collection or destruction vehicle to verify it is free from loose information-bearing media.

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2.7	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	All vehicles used for transfer of media will have the applicable government inspection for roadworthiness on file.	Auditor will review paperwork from the most recent inspection of all the Company's commercial vehicles within the time frame stated in the applicable state law regarding the nature and frequency of these inspections. If there is a jurisdiction, which does not require an inspection of commercial vehicles, auditor will require copy of government statement saying so. Three vehicle records will be checked.
2.8	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	All vehicles used for transfer and/or destruction of media (whether intact or destroyed) will have lockable cabs and lockable fully enclosed boxes. These vehicle cabs and boxes must be locked during transport and when unattended by Access Individual.	Auditor will inspect trucks made available by the Company to verify that all cab doors and truck boxes are lockable and that locks work properly. Auditor will inspect the Company policies and procedures manual to assure that vehicle cab and box locking is addressed. Note: If there are 3 trucks or less in either separate category (Mobile Shredding and Collection Only), all trucks in each category must be made available for inspection. If there are 4 or more trucks in each category, 75% of the fleet in each category must be made available for inspection. If trucks are not made available, the Company must provide written testimony that those trucks not presented for inspection are of equal or superior condition of roadworthiness and security. The testimony must be on company letterhead and signed by an officer of the company.
2.9	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	All drivers of collection or destruction vehicles must have readily accessible two-way communication devices. Type of Device Used: <input type="checkbox"/> Radio/CB <input type="checkbox"/> Cell Phone <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please indicate): _____	Auditor to verify each driver has the stated and operable two-way communication device with them or in the vehicle.
2.10	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	APPLIES TO MOBILE CERTIFICATION ONLY The company must perform mobile destruction services at the customer's site.	Auditor will verify that the Company policies and procedures manual indicates that mobile destruction services must be performed at the customer's site, unless there is a written customer agreement stating otherwise. A Records Center is considered the customer's site when all media for destruction comes from within it.
2.11	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION ONLY Unauthorized access to the designated secure destruction area and client records is effectively prevented.	Auditor to inspect all entrances to see that unauthorized access to secured area is effectively preventable when media are not attended. Auditor will verify that the company policies and procedures manual covers access control and unauthorized access interdiction measures.
2.12	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION ONLY All visitors entering the secure destruction building sign a log with their name, time in, affiliation, and time out. Visitors must be issued a Visitor Badge and be escorted or under the supervision of an Access Employee at all times while in the plant. This log info/record must be maintained for one year.	Auditor will examine visitor/contractor logs and verify records maintained for one year.

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2.13	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p><i>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION ONLY</i></p> <p>There is a secure area within the building devoted only to destroying media. No baling of unshredded paper may take place in this area except cardboard.</p>	<p>Auditor to inspect building to determine that secured area for information destruction exists and that no baling of unshredded paper is processed there.</p> <p>If a secured area within the building is required, it must meet the following specifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There must be enough space within this area to stage all media to be destroyed. • The wall or fence securing this area must be a minimum of six feet tall and have a lockable gate or door. • If the wall or fence does not go all the way to the ceiling, then it must have a ceiling mounted sensor alarm inside and over the perimeter of the secure destruction area (or similar, suitable device) to detect if and when individuals have climbed over or come through a section of the secured area fence/wall.
2.14	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p><i>FOR EACH BRANCH THAT APPLIES FOR PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION:</i></p> <p>There is a <u>monitored</u> alarm system in place and utilized when the secure destruction building is unoccupied.</p>	<p>Auditor is to inspect alarm system to make sure it is operational and examine alarm test reports &/or invoices from alarm monitoring service.</p>
2.15	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p><i>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION ONLY</i></p> <p>There is a closed circuit camera system monitoring all access points into the secure destruction building/area and all processing activity with sufficient clarity to identify people and their activities.</p> <p>Recordings must be retained for 90 days in an organized, retrievable manner.</p>	<p>Auditor to inspect the closed circuit monitoring system to ensure that it meets criteria. This includes checking that the system has sufficient cameras and image quality to identify individuals and capture the full range of motion and all activities in the secure destruction process from point of entry into the building through final destruction, including any unauthorized access to the confidential information.</p> <p>90 days of CCTV playback must be available at the time of the scheduled audit.</p> <p>Auditor to inspect recording library system and to review four 4-minute samples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two random samples during operational hours • One random sample during non-operational hours • One sample from the 90th day back from the current date <p>Recording of operations may be suspended for playback recordings</p>

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2.16	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION WITH A WITH COLLECTION FACILITY</p> <p>Collection Facilities* are used to store media as accepted by customer and will be transferred to a destruction facility within 3 business days. Facility has restricted access with a monitored alarm system. The list of all Collection Facility locations associated with this plant-based is included with this Application.</p> <p>Number of Collection Facilities: _____</p> <p>ADDRESS: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>*USE ADDITIONAL SHEET OF PAPER, IF NECESSARY, TO LIST THE ADDRESSES OF ALL COLLECTION FACILITIES USED WITH THIS LOCATION.</i></p>	<p>For each Collection Facility, Auditor will check records and procedures manuals to assure that media for destruction are not processed and not stored for more than 3 business days and that the following are maintained*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access is restricted to Access Individuals • Visitor/Contractor Log • I.D. badges are worn by employees and visitors. • Monitored Alarm System • In the event that the facility also stores records (or is a records center), recycles or bales intact/unshredded paper, or conducts other activities, the collection of media for destruction must be in a Designated (or Delineated) Area or Secured Area depending upon the following: <p>When all employees are Access, a Designated (or delineated) Area is required: Auditor to check that collection area is visually marked/designated or media for destruction is labeled as such.</p> <p>When employees are both Access & Non-Access, a Secure Area within Facility is required. Auditor to check that a secured area within the meets the following specifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There must be enough space within this area to stage all media to be destroyed. ○ The wall or fence securing this area must be a minimum of six feet tall and have a lockable gate or door. ○ If the wall or fence does not go all the way to the ceiling, then it must have a ceiling mounted sensor alarm inside and over the perimeter of the secure destruction area (or similar, suitable device) to detect if and when individuals have climbed over or come through a section of the secured area fence/wall. <p>*Important Note: Auditor may or may not check the actual facility for requirements at the time of an audit.</p>
2.17	Branch Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verified _____	<p>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION WITH A TRANSFER PROCESSING STATION</p> <p>Transfer Processing Stations (TPS)* are used to store materials for destruction no longer than 15 business days and meet the same operational requirements as a secure, plant-based destruction facility. The list of all TPS locations associated with this Branch is included with this Application. Each TPS will be charged an additional audit fee.</p> <p>Number of Transfer Processing Stations: _____</p> <p>ADDRESS: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>*USE ADDITIONAL SHEET OF PAPER, IF NECESSARY, TO LIST THE ADDRESSES OF ALL TRANSFER PROCESSING STATIONS USED WITH THIS LOCATION.</i></p>	<p>For each Transfer Processing Station, Auditor will check records and procedure manuals to assure that materials are not stored for more than 15 business days and that the following are maintained*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access is restricted to Access Individuals • Visitor/Contractor Log • I.D. badges are worn by employees and visitors. • Monitored Alarm System (records checked) • In the event that the facility also stores records (or is a records center), recycles or bales intact/unshredded paper, or conducts other activities, the collection and processing of media for destruction must be in a Designated (or Delineated) Area or Secured Area depending upon the following: <p>When all employees are Access, a Designated (or delineated) Area is required: Auditor to check that collection area is visually marked/designated or media for destruction is labeled as such.</p> <p>When employees are both Access & Non-Access, a Secure Area within Facility is required. Auditor to check that a secured area within the facility meets the following specifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There must be enough space within this area to stage all media to be destroyed. ○ The wall or fence securing this area must be a minimum of six feet tall and have a lockable gate or door. ○ If the wall or fence does not go all the way to the ceiling, then it must have a ceiling mounted sensor alarm inside and over the perimeter of the secure destruction area (or similar, suitable device) to detect if and when individuals have climbed over or come through a section of the secured area fence/wall. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintains a closed circuit camera system, with 90 days of recording, monitoring all ingress/egress points into the secure building/area and processing activity with sufficient clarity to identify people and their activities.

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2.18	Branch Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verified _____	<p>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION (INCLUDING ANY TRANSFER PROCESSING STATION AND/OR COLLECTION FACILITY)</p> <p>The following Operational Security systems are checked and maintained on a monthly basis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alarm system • Lighting • Door Locks • Visitor Logs <p>In addition to monthly Operational Security system checks, the CCTV system must be checked on a weekly basis, including a minimum of five minutes of playback to ensure that all cameras and recording systems are working correctly.</p> <p>Monthly and Weekly Logs must be kept for one year using the NAID-issued Forms (or the information/content contained on it).</p>	Auditor to review the Monthly and Weekly Operational Security Maintenance Logs used to check, record and maintain the facility's operational security functions, including CCTV (except for a Collection Facility), Alarms, Lighting, Door Locks and Visitor Logs – records must be kept for one year.

ENDORSEMENTS & THE DESTRUCTION PROCESS

3.1	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p>MEDIA ENDORSEMENT</p> <p>PAPER or PRINTED MEDIA is destroyed by commercial grade destruction equipment with the following OEM specifications or produces particle sizes no larger than those listed below (applicant to check and complete details for all equipment used):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Shred: Width (max): 5/8 inch & Length: Indefinite</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cross Cut or Pierce & Tear: Width (max): 3/4 inch & Length (max): 2.5 inches</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pulverizer, Disintegrator or Hammermill* Screen Size (max): 2-inch diameter holes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unspecified Equipment Please describe the type of equipment and cutting mechanism specifications (screen hole size*, blade width, etc.): _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mobile or Plant Equipment: _____ Manufacturer: _____ Model: _____ Serial #: _____ Capacity/Throughput (lbs/hr): _____ Horsepower: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>See attached form listing additional/all equipment information</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pulping or Incineration (Plant-based only) Manufacturer: _____ Model: _____ Serial #: _____</p>	<p>Certified operations must always utilize commercial grade destruction equipment that meet the Certification specifications.</p> <p>CONTINUOUS SHRED, CROSS-CUT, PIERCE & TEAR, PULVERIZER, DISINTEGRATOR &/OR HAMMERMILL: Auditor to verify the equipment in use to destroy paper media meets the specifications by:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Using the OEM specs listed on an invoice or spec sheet that matches the serial number on the equipment.</p> <p align="center">OR</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Measuring the width of the cutters and/or screens</p> <p>Acceptable deviant tolerance: 1/16 inch</p> <p>UNSPECIFIED EQUIPMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The auditor verifies the particles produced by the equipment are reasonably consistent with the OEM specifications for the equipment. • The auditor verifies that the equipment is conventionally regarded as commercial grade and is consistent with the description provided in this Application. • The auditor verifies that the shredded particles are similar in size to those produced by any of the NAID specified destruction equipment (cross cut, pierce & tear, pulverizer, etc.). <p>*For destruction equipment with adjustable screens, the Certified location must have a NAID-issued Screen Changing Log (or the information/content contained on it) noting the starting point of the log and the pertinent information regarding any screen changes. A log must be kept on or near each machine, which includes mobile destruction logs being carried in the truck. Records must be maintained for one year. Auditor will review the log(s) during the audit.</p> <p>PULPING OR INCINERATION (PLANT-BASED ONLY) In-House Pulping or Incineration must not require any Transfer of Custody:</p> <p>If the NAID Member seeking NAID Certification owns or leases the pulping or incineration equipment and building, and also does not transfer custody of media to a third party for transport or processing before media are pulped or incinerated, then the results of the pulping or incineration must effectively reduce the media to a size or condition that is unreadable and not reconstructible</p>
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3.2	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____ _____	<p>MEDIA ENDORSEMENT</p> <p>MICRO MEDIA DESTRUCTION</p> <p>The ability to destroy Micro Media (Microfiche or Microfilm only) is certified based on commercial grade destruction equipment or process which produces a particle size of 1/8 inch maximum dimension or less.</p> <p>Mobile or Plant Equipment: _____</p> <p>Manufacturer: _____</p> <p>Model : _____</p>	<p>Auditor will determine the applicant has equipment with an OEM cutter mechanism of 1/8 inch at its maximum cut dimension by:</p> <p>Using the OEM specs listed on an invoice or spec sheet that matches the serial number on the equipment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Measuring the width of the cutters and/or screens</p> <p>Acceptable deviant tolerance: 1/16 inch.</p>
3.3	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____ _____	<p>MEDIA ENDORSEMENT</p> <p>CONVENTIONAL COMPUTER HARD DRIVE DESTRUCTION</p> <p>The company has a written and verifiable process for the physical destruction (not wiping or overwriting) of conventional computer hard drives.</p> <p>Mobile or Plant-based Method: _____</p> <p>Method of Physical Destruction: _____</p>	<p>Auditor will review the company's written policies and procedures for their standard physical destruction (not wiping or overwriting) of computer hard drives. As part of their methodology, company must record the serial numbers of all hard drives or CPUs being destroyed for each client. Company must have provided clients with printed materials on their standard destruction procedures or have specific, written agreements with clients' specifying another method of destruction for their computer hard drives. During audit, company must show these written standards and any client agreements for alternative methods used and demonstrate their ability to conduct their standard, described method of computer hard drive destruction.</p>
3.4	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____ _____	<p>APPLIES TO PLANT-BASED CERTIFICATION ONLY</p> <p>Standard operating procedures for bin tips* state that the destruction of confidential media must take place within 3 business days of arriving at the destruction facility, or the policies and procedures, the terms and conditions, or contracts used by the applicant must specify and reflect the actual time frame in which destruction is performed.</p> <p>Standard operating procedures for bin tips* state that destruction occurs within (indicate timeframe) _____.</p> <p>For purges*, the destruction of confidential media must take place within 15 business days or the client must be notified.</p> <p>(*See <i>Certification Program Definitions</i>)</p>	<p>Auditor will check procedures manual to assure that there is a procedure stated that all media are destroyed within requisite timeframe and verify the timeframe indicated by the Applicant. Exceptions include acts of God, breakdowns or client instruction (or permission) to retain media for a longer period.</p>
3.5	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____ _____	<p>Destruction process has a method of quality control in place to ensure destroyed information is within the stated standards for the specific media endorsements for which the company has applied.</p>	<p>Auditor will check procedures manual to assure that there is a regular quality control procedure in place for ensuring destroyed information are within stated standards.</p>
3.6	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____ _____	<p>Destroyed media must be disposed (sold, gifted, or discarded) in a responsible manner, which does NOT include any type of REUSE (for purposes such as animal bedding or packing materials).</p> <p>Applicant must attach a list of all current recipients (within past year) of destroyed media, indicating type of media and final disposition of materials by these recipients.</p>	<p>Auditor will review list of recipients and manner in which media are disposed subsequent to destruction and verify that company has written agreements or documentation in place to support stated responsible disposal, i.e. pulping, incineration, smelting, etc.</p> <p>Auditor to check waste receptacles and area directly outside of the information destruction building/area to see that no unshredded, confidential information has been deposited in waste receptacles or that no loose information-bearing materials are scattered around or near the destruction building.</p>

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3.7	Applicant Claims _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not Claimed _____ Auditor Verifies _____	<p>TRANSFER OF CUSTODY (IF APPLICABLE)</p> <p>Transfer of custody is used for each as indicated (Check all that apply):</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Staffing <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation (of media prior to destruction) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe): _____	<p>Auditor will review Subcontractor list provided and discuss with Company all transfer of custody scenarios claimed.</p> <p>In the event that there is a Transfer of Custody, or a transfer or extension of Fiduciary Responsibility (i.e., Subcontracting), the following policies are necessary for the Applicant's operation to be NAID Certified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All affected clients have explicitly been notified in writing (including email or other electronic method) that they are fully aware of the process; including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ any imminent or potential transfer of custody and/or fiduciary responsibilities, including identifying the parties destined to accept custody ○ the exact location of destruction ○ the method of the destruction • All Access Individuals of all companies or agents in the chain of custody, including third party transporters, acknowledge in writing that they understand that all media with which they come in contact may be confidential, and accept the fiduciary responsibility; or alternatively, such companies agree in writing or certify to the Company that their employees have acknowledged in writing such understanding and agreement. Copies of such agreements shall be on file at the NAID Member's office. If Company does not obtain such commitments, then it must notify its customers in writing that such service is not NAID Certified. • All Access Employees and Individuals in the subsequent chain of custody submits to the same background screening required for NAID Certification. • All agents subsequently accepting custody of media must meet the current NAID Certification specifications for all applicable criteria. <p>Documentation to verify above policies must be available at the Applicant's location. When a site visit is required for verification, Applicant assumes responsibility for any additional time/costs of the auditor and for making the necessary arrangements with the agent for such site visit.</p>
COMPANY ASSURANCES			
4.1	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	Company is a legally registered business in the state of residence.	Auditor to examine business license, Certificate of Incorporation or SEC filing.
4.2	Applicant Claims _____ Auditor Verifies _____	General liability insurance (aggregate or umbrella) of \$2,000,000 or more.	Auditor to examine valid insurance documents, which could be an ACORD Certificate, a certificate of insurance or a letter from broker verifying coverage limits. Letter must be dated no earlier than one month prior to audit.

Upon completion of the application, please submit the entire application and additional required materials via
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