## File Downloading Techniques

- an example using Internet Explorer browser--See page two for FireFox Browser-

Make a place for the download:

 Double click / open My Computer, select drive, Make a New Folder, name it "Downloads"

Go to your browser (Example using Internet Explorer)

- Enter in URL block: <u>http://www.belarc.com</u>
- Cursor over to Free Download (top center), select download, window opens [File Download - Security Warning], (name: advisor.exe) select "Save" [make a note of the name of the file, and the current time]
- File dialog box opens, navigate to the "Downloads" directory created above.
- Open the "Downloads" directory, click on "create new folder" icon (folder with red asterisk third to right of "save in" drop down box) name new folder **Belarc Advisor**.
- Double Click on the Folder you just named "Belarc Advisor" file opens note "Save In:" drop down. Note the "File name" block shows -"Advisor.exe" Click "Save" and file will download.
- To find the file, open "My Computer", double click on the appropriate Hard Drive letter, double click "**Downloads**" folder, double click "**Belarc Advisor**" folder.
- (Optional) The very prudent computer user may wish to check the file they just downloaded by running a scan of the file with their antivirus and malware / spyware detection software. *This is a recommended course of action if you aren't sure of the bona fides of the source of the file you download.*
- Presuming the file you downloaded is a program to be installed, you "click" on it to get it begin the installation process. Windows may pop up a warning that running such a program may have dire consequences - but you downloaded from a trusted source, right? Or, you ran your scanners - note immediately above? So, stop worrying about curdled milk, and press on!
- Still can't find the file? Search for it !!
- Start, Search, All File or Folders, fill in block "All or part of the file name" (You did write in down, didn't you???), fill in block "Look in" with appropriate drive letter by selecting the drop down, then clicking on the "When was it modified" with today's date (unless you performed the download yesterday, or last week. then specify date range, as appropriate. Then click "search" file should pop up quickly, the information displayed "In Folder" should allow you to get there via "My Computer."

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