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Stored XSS in SolarWinds Serv-U File Server <=15.2.1

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Title: Stored XSS

Product: SolarWinds Serv-U FTP Server

Vendor Homepage: https://www.solarwinds.com/

Vulnerable Version: 15.2.1 and lower

Fixed Version: 15.2.2

CVE Number: CVE-2020-28001

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Timeline:

2020-10-30 Disclosed to Vendor

2021-01-21 Vendor releases patched version

2021-08-02 Publication

1. Vulnerability Description

SolarWinds Serv-U FTP server through 15.2.1 does not correctly sanitize and validate the user-supplied directory names, allowing malicious users to create directories that when clicked on (in the breadcrumb menu) will trigger XSS payloads.

2. PoC

On a vulnerable Serv-U FTP server installation, create a directory named as such:

%27%29%3Ba%3Dfunction%28b%29%20%7B%20alert%28%22XSS%22%29%3B%20%7D%3Ba%28%27

The payload contains ');a=function(b) { alert("XSS"); };a('

As soon as a user clicks on the directory name in the breadcrumb menu, it will trigger the stored XSS.

3. Solution

The vendor provides an updated version (15.2.2) which should be installed immediately.

4. Advisory URL

https://www.themissinglink.com.au/security-advisories

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