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#55 integer overflow for maliciously crafted tga file



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```

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I attach the maliciously crafted tga file which crashes program like below.

```
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$ cd plib-1.8.5
$ ./configure && make
$ cd src/ssg
$ gcc -I../src/ssg -I../src/util test.cxx -lplibssg
```

where text.cxx is as follows

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "ssg.h"

int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    ssgLoadTGA (argv[1], NULL);
}
```

```
$ ./a.out poc.tga
DEBUG: ssgLoadTGA: Loading 'poc.tga', colormap 65535x65535-8.
terminate called after throwing an instance of 'std::bad_alloc'
what():  std::bad_alloc
Aborted (core dumped)
```

Thank you.

1 Attachments

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