

SolarWinds Dameware DoS

High

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Synopsis

When the DWRCs.exe 'Allow only FIPS Mode' setting is enabled, DWRCRSA.dll is loaded to perform ECDH key exchange. During the key exchange, the client signs the ECDH shared secret with an EC private key and sends the server both the signature and the EC public key so that the server can verify the signature. Inside the key exchange message, an unauthenticated, remote attacker can specify a large 'SigPubkeyLen' field (i.e., 0x1fffff) to cause a buffer over-read/over-write condition in DWRCRSA.dll:

```
.text:100026E4    mov     edi, [esp+343Ch+msg.SigPubkeyLen] ; attacker-controlled
.text:100026EB    push   edi ; size_t
.text:100026EC    lea     eax, [esp+3440h+msg.SigPubkey] ; stack buffer; received msg
.text:100026F3    push   eax ; void *
.text:100026F4    lea     ecx, [esi+00J_205C.SigPubkey] ; heap buffer
.text:100026FA    push   ecx ; void *
.text:100026FB    call   _memcpy
```

The key exchange msg has the following format:

```
// used for DH/ECDH key exchange
// msg_len: 0x2c2c
// le = little endian
struct msg_000105b9
{
    le32 MsgType; // must be 0x000105b9
    byte unk[4];
    le32 status; // 0 - no error
    byte msg[0x1000]; // error msg
    byte SrvPubKey[0x400];
    le32 SrvPubKeyLen;
    le32 CltSharedSecretLen; // length of client-computed DH/ECDH shared secret
    le32 CltSharedSecretByteSum; // client-computed sum of all bytes in the secret
    byte CltPubKey[0x400];
    le32 CltPubKeyLen;
    le32 SrvSharedSecretLen; // length of server-computed DH/ECDH shared secret
    le32 SrvSharedSecretByteSum; // server-computed sum of all bytes in the secret
    byte Signature[0x800]; // client-generated signature of the shared secret
    le32 SignatureLen;
    byte SigPubkey[0x800]; // public key to verify the signature
    le32 SigPubkeyLen;
    byte unk[0x400];
};
```

If the msg.SigPubkeyLen field is greater than 0x800, it can cause a buffer over-read on the stack buffer msg.SigPubkey and a buffer over-write on the 0x800-byte SigPubkey local buffer located at offset 0x143c of a 0x205c-byte structure on the heap.

The attached PoC can be used to terminate DWRCs.exe:

```
python dameware_dwrcrsa_sigpubkey_bof.py -t -p 6129
```

Solution

Upgrade to 12.1.1

Proof of Concept

https://github.com/tenable/poc/blob/master/Solarwinds/Dameware/dameware_dwrcrsa_sigpubkey_bof.py

Additional References

https://documentation.solarwinds.com/en/Success.Center/dameware/Content/Release_Notes/Dameware_12-1-1_release_notes.htm

Disclosure Timeline

01/15/2020 - Vulnerability disclosed. 90-day date is April 14, 2020.
 01/15/2020 - Received automated response asking to submit via form. Submitted.
 01/15/2020 - SolarWinds asks for PoC to be resent. Tenable does so.
 01/20/2020 - SolarWinds validates report. Engineers are working on a fix. They will update us as the team makes progress.
 01/20/2020 - Tenable acknowledges.
 02/11/2020 - Tenable asks for an update.
 02/11/2020 - SolarWinds plans to release a fix around end of March / early April.
 02/11/2020 - Tenable acknowledges.
 03/19/2020 - SolarWinds is still working on it, and plans to fix in the next release.
 03/19/2020 - Tenable asks if a more definitive release date has been decided on.
 03/19/2020 - SolarWinds is keeping a close eye on it.
 04/06/2020 - Tenable asks for an update.
 04/06/2020 - SolarWinds says they released a fix on April 2.



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Risk Information

CVE ID: [CVE-2020-5734](#)

Tenable Advisory ID: TRA-2020-19

CVSSv2 Base / Temporal Score: 7.1 / 5.6

CVSSv2 Vector: (AV:N/AC:M/Au:N/C:N/I:N/A:C)

Affected Products: SolarWinds Dameware 12.1 Hotfix 3

Risk Factor: High

Advisory Timeline

04/06/2020 - Advisory published

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