



Security Assessment **Pulse Markets**

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Executive Summary

| TYPES | ECOSYSTEM | METHODS |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| DEFI | Near | Manual Review & Static Analysis |
| LANGUAGE | TIMELINE | KEY COMPONENTS |
| Rust | Delivered on 07/06/2023 | N/A |
| CODEBASE | | COMMITS |
| https://github.com/aufacicenta/pulsemarkets-v2-contracts | | ddce0b7abc1f66f33f611e20e4d2b1039f95747f |

Vulnerability Summary

29 0 0 0 29 0 29

Total Findings Resolved Mitigated Partially Resolved Acknowledged Declined Unresolved

■ 0 Critical

Critical vulnerabilities are usually straightforward to exploit and can lead to the loss of user funds or contract state manipulation by external or internal actors.

■ 14 High

0 Resolved

High vulnerabilities are usually harder to exploit, requiring specific conditions, or have a more limited scope, but can still lead to the loss of user funds or contract state manipulation by external or internal actors.

■ 1 Medium

0 Resolved

Medium vulnerabilities are usually limited to state manipulations, but cannot lead to assets loss. Major deviations from best practices are also in this category.

■ 4 Low

0 Resolved

Low vulnerabilities are related to outdated and unused code or minor gas optimization. These issues won't have a significant impact on code execution, but affect the code quality.

■ 9 Informational

0 Resolved

Informational errors are often recommendations to improve the style of the code or certain operations to fall within industry best practices. They usually do not affect the overall functioning of the code.

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CODEBASE | PULSE MARKETS

Repository

<https://github.com/aufacicenta/pulsemarkets-v2-contracts>

Commit

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AUDIT SCOPE | PULSE MARKETS

28 files audited • 28 file with Acknowledged findings • 0 files with Resolved findings

| ID | Files | Commit Hash |
|-------|---|---|
| ● AVA |  All files under pulsemarkets-v2-contracts/amm/src | 2ec655ff6ef9d1ef0cce68777c983e04652a15ec |
| ● FVA |  All files under pulsemarkets-v2-contracts/feed-parser/src | e50e2d6946cd513c19c0f8dfcd9eb27813cbb5b5 |
| ● MVA |  All files under pulsemarkets-v2-contracts/market-factory/src | 24d4fd571ebc127270285bec825cde da28c4ba5c |
| ● SVA |  All files under pulsemarkets-v2-contracts/shared/src | e50e2d6946cd513c19c0f8dfcd9eb27813cbb5b5 |
| ● GVA |  Encompassing all code within the Pulse Markets scope repository | ddce0b7abc1f66f33f611e20e4d2b1039f95747f |

APPROACH & METHODS | PULSE MARKETS

This report has been prepared for Pulse Markets(2023) to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the Pulse Markets project as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Manual Review and Static Analysis techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the code base to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.
- Thorough line-by-line manual review of the entire code base by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from critical to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices.

We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Enhance general coding practices for better structures of source codes.
- Review unit tests to cover the possible use cases.
- Review functions for readability, especially for future development work.

FINDINGS | PULSE MARKETS



This report has been prepared to discover issues and vulnerabilities for Pulse Markets. Through this audit, we have uncovered 29 issues ranging from different severity levels. Utilizing the techniques of Manual Review & Static Analysis to complement rigorous manual code reviews, we discovered the following findings:

| ID | Title | Category | Severity | Status |
|------------------|---|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| MVA-01 | Unhandled Promise Rejection | Logical Issue | High | ● Acknowledged |
| MVA-02 AVA-01 | Incorrect Json Type | Logical Issue | High | ● Acknowledged |
| MVA-03 | Assert in callback function may lock contract | Logical Issue | Minor | ● Acknowledged |
| MVA-04 | Lack of gas check for storage expansion | Logical Issue | Medium | ● Acknowledged |
| FVA-01 | Unhandled Promise | Logical Issue | High | ● Acknowledged |
| GVA-01 | No Upgrade Function Found | Logical Issue | Minor | ● Acknowledged |
| GVA-02 | Lack of Documentation | Coding Style | Informational | ● Acknowledged |
| GVA-03 | Crate Update Needed | Dependency Issue | Medium | ● Acknowledged |

MVA-01 | Unhandled Promise Rejection

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|--|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● High | market-factory/src/contract.rs | ● Acknowledged |

Description

Promise results should always be handled by a callback function or another promise. It is not recommended to leave promises unhandled in contracts. Otherwise, the changed state cannot be rolled back if the promise failed.

This is present in `pub fn create_market(&mut self, name: AccountId, args: Base64VecU8) -> Promise {...}`, line 67.

Potential loss of user funds in case of failed promise.

```
55     // @TODO if this promise fails, the funds (attached_deposit) are not returned to the signer
56     let create_market_promise = Promise::new(market_account_id.clone())
57         .create_account()
58         .deploy_contract(MARKET_CODE.to_vec())
59         .transfer(env::attached_deposit() - STORAGE_DEPOSIT_BOND)
60         .function_call(
61             "new".to_string(),
62             init_args.to_string().into_bytes(),
63             0,
64             GAS_FOR_CREATE_MARKET,
65         );
66
67     let create_market_callback = ext_self::ext(env::current_account_id())
68         .with_attached_deposit(0)
69         .with_static_gas(GAS_FOR_CREATE_MARKET_CALLBACK)
70         .on_create_market_callback(market_account_id, collateral_token_account_id);
71
72     create_market_promise.then(create_market_callback)
73 }
```

Recommendation

Implement a function call of the result of the promise if it fails.

MVA-02 | Incorrect Json Type

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|---|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● High | market-factory/src/views.rs | ● Acknowledged |

■ Description (Finding is present in 2 functions in views.rs)

Don't use type i64, i128, u64, or u128 as the parameters or return values of public interfaces (public functions without #[private] macro in a #[near_bindgen] struct). This is because the largest integer that json can support is 2^53-1.

Check <https://2ality.com/2012/04/number-encoding.html> for more details.

```
11  pub fn get_markets_count(&self) -> u64 {
12      self.markets.len()
13  }
14
15  pub fn get_markets(&self, from_index: u64, limit: u64) -> Vec<AccountId> {
16      let elements = self.markets.as_vector();
17
18      (from_index..std::cmp::min(from_index + limit, elements.len()))
19          .filter_map(|index| elements.get(index))
20          .collect()
21 }
```

■ Recommendation

We advise using [near_sdk::json_types instead](#).

Types I64, I128, U64, and U128 (instead of i64, i128, u64 and u128) in Near SDK are recommended.

AVA-01 | Incorrect Json Type

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|--|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● High | amm/src/views.rs amm/src/fees.rs amm/src/contract.rs | ● Acknowledged |

Description

Don't use type i64, i128, u64, or u128 as the parameters or return values of public interfaces (public functions without #[private] macro in a #[near_bindgen] struct). This is because the largest integer that json can support is 2^53-1.

Check <https://2ality.com/2012/04/number-encoding.html> for more details.

Finding is present across multiple functions:

- **views.rs:**
 - pub fn get_market_data(&self) -> MarketData {...}
 - pub fn get_resolution_data(&self) -> Resolution {...}
 - pub fn get_outcome_token(&self, outcome_id: Outcomeld) -> OutcomeToken {...}
 - pub fn get_block_timestamp(&self) -> Timestamp {...}
 - pub fn resolution_window(&self) -> Timestamp {...}
 - pub fn resolved_at(&self) -> Timestamp {...}
- **fees.rs:**
 - pub fn claiming_window(&self) -> Timestamp {...}
- **contract.rs**
 - pub fn new(market: MarketData, ...) -> Self {...}

Recommendation

We advise using [near_sdk::json_types instead.](#)

Types I64, I128, U64, and U128 (instead of i64, i128, u64 and u128) in Near SDK are recommended.

FVA-01 | Unhandled Promise

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● High | feed-parser/src/callback.rs | ● Acknowledged |

Description

Promise results should always be handled by a callback function or another promise. It is not recommended to leave promises unhandled in contracts. Otherwise, the changed state cannot be rolled back if the promise failed.

```
45 |           // @TODO add a callback for this promise in case it errors
46 |           ext_market::ext(predecessor_account_id).resolve(winning_outcome_id, payload.ix);
47 |
48 |           return winning_outcome_id;
49 }
```

Potential state lock if promise is not handled.

Recommendation

Implement a callback function or another promise to handle current existing promise.

MVA-03 | Assert in callback function may lock contract

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● Medium | marketfactory/src/callback.rs | ● Acknowledged |

Description

It's not recommended to use `assert` or `require` or anything that will result in panic in a callback function.

In Near, the callback function needs to recover some state changes made by a failed promise. If the callback function panics, the state may not be fully recovered, which results in unexpected results.

```
57  #[private]
58  pub fn on_create_outcome_tokens_ft_storage_deposit_callback(
59      &mut self,
60      market_account_id: AccountId,
61  ) -> bool {
62      require!(env::promise_results_count() == 2);
63
64      let are_outcome_tokens_created = match env::promise_result(0) {
65          PromiseResult::Successful(_result) => true,
66          _ => env::panic_str("ERR_ON_CREATE_OUTCOME_TOKENS_CALLBACK_0"),
67      };
68
69      let is_storage_deposit_success = match env::promise_result(1) {
70          PromiseResult::Successful(_result) => true,
71          _ => env::panic_str("ERR_ON_FT_STORAGE_DEPOSIT_CALLBACK_1"),
72      };
73
74      if !are_outcome_tokens_created || !is_storage_deposit_success {
75          return false;
76      }
77
78      self.markets.insert(&market_account_id);
79
80      true
81 }
```

Recommendation

Avert from using the `require` statement within the callback functions.

MVA-04 | Lack of gas check for storage expansion

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● Low | marketfactory/src/callback.rs | ● Acknowledged |

Description

Each time the state grows, it should be ensured that there is enough Balance to cover the expansion.

```
57 #[private]
58 pub fn on_create_outcome_tokens_ft_storage_deposit_callback(
59     &mut self,
60     market_account_id: AccountId,
61 ) -> bool {
62     require!(env::promise_results_count() == 2);
63
64     let are_outcome_tokens_created = match env::promise_result(0) {
65         PromiseResult::Successful(_result) => true,
66         _ => env::panic_str("ERR_ON_CREATE_OUTCOME_TOKENS_CALLBACK_0"),
67     };
68
69     let is_storage_deposit_success = match env::promise_result(1) {
70         PromiseResult::Successful(_result) => true,
71         _ => env::panic_str("ERR_ON_FT_STORAGE_DEPOSIT_CALLBACK_1"),
72     };
73
74     if !are_outcome_tokens_created || !is_storage_deposit_success {
75         return false;
76     }
77
78     self.markets.insert(&market_account_id);
79
80     true
81 }
```

Recommendation

storage usage expands after the insertion to `self.markets.insert(&market_account_id)`, the difference should be checked to ensure the storage fee attached by the caller is enough.

GVA-01 | No upgrade function found

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● Low | Global | ● Acknowledged |

■ Description

Contracts may need the upgrade function.

Without an upgrade function, the contract cannot be upgraded and contract states cannot be migrated.

■ Recommendation

It is recommended to study the need of implementing upgradability in the future and implementing an upgrade function globally if deemed possibly necessary to update contract states in the future.

GVA-02 | Lack of documentation

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|
| Logical Issue | ● Informational | Global | ● Acknowledged |

■ Description

Although the Pulse Markets contract set features good documentation on the main contracts (specifically amm/src/contract.rs), it is recommended to fully document all the written code for better future communication between developers.

GVA-03 | Crate Update Needed

| Category | Severity | Location | Status |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------------|
| Dependency Issue | ● Medium | Global | ● Acknowledged |

■ Description

Potential segfault in the time crate due to version "0.1.44", you can learn more at:

<https://rustsec.org/advisories/RUSTSEC-2020-0071>

■ Recommendation

Upgrade to >=0.2.23.

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