AE Standard Finance Technologies

Smart Contract Review

Deliverable: Smart Contract Audit Report

Security Report

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Report Summary

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Overview

Background

AE Standard Finance Technologies requested that eNebula Solutions perform an Extensive Smart Contract Audit of their AESPool_rEther Smart Contracts.

Project Dates

The following is the project schedule for this review and report:

- **August 07**: Smart Contract Review Completed *(Completed)*
- **August 07**: Delivery of Smart Contract Audit Report *(Completed)*
- **August 12**: Delivery of Smart Contract Re-Audit Report *(Completed)*

Review Team

The following eNebula Solutions team member participated in this review:

- Sejal Barad, Security Researcher and Engineer
- Vatsal Raychura, Security Researcher and Engineer

Coverage

Target Specification and Revision

For this audit, we performed research, investigation, and review of the smart contract of AE Standard Finance Technologies.

The following documentation repositories were considered in-scope for the review:

- AE Standard Finance Technologies Project: https://github.com/aestandard/aestandard.pools/blob/main/contracts/AESPool_rEther.sol
  { commit 063a9a116fb31e3c532a8b51b1582cdb448025de }

Introduction

Given the opportunity to review AE Standard Finance Technologies Project's smart contract source code, we in the report outline our systematic approach to evaluate potential security issues in the smart contract implementation, expose possible semantic inconsistencies between smart contract code and design document, and provide additional suggestions or recommendations for improvement. Our results show that the given version of smart contracts is ready to launch after resolving the mentioned issues, there are no critical or high issues found related to business logic, security or performance.

About AE Standard Finance Technologies: -

Item	Description
Issuer	AE Standard Finance Technologies
Website	https://aestandard.finance/
Platform	Solidity
Audit Method	Whitebox
Latest Audit Report	August 12, 2021

The Test Method Information: -

Test method	Description
Black box testing	Conduct security tests from an attacker's perspective externally.
Grey box testing	Conduct security testing on code modules through the scripting tool, observing the internal running status, mining weaknesses.
White box testing	Based on the open-source code, non-open-source code, to detect whether there are vulnerabilities in programs such as nodes, SDK, etc.

The vulnerability severity level information:

Level	Description
Critical	Critical severity vulnerabilities will have a significant effect on the security of the DeFiproject, and it is strongly recommended to fix the critical vulnerabilities.
High	High severity vulnerabilities will affect the normal operation of the DeFi project. It isstrongly recommended to fix high-risk vulnerabilities.
Medium	Medium severity vulnerability will affect the operation of the DeFi project. It isrecommended to fix medium-risk vulnerabilities.
Low	Low severity vulnerabilities may affect the operation of the DeFi project in certain scenarios. It is suggested that the project party should evaluate and consider whetherthese vulnerabilities need to be fixed.
Weakness	There are safety risks theoretically, but it is extremely difficult to reproduce in engineering.

The Full List of Check Items:

Category	Check Item
Basic Coding Bugs	Constructor Mismatch
	Ownership Takeover
	Redundant Fallback Function
	Overflows & Underflows
	Reentrancy
	MONEY-Giving Bug
	Blackhole
	Unauthorized Self-Destruct
	Revert DoS
	Unchecked External Call
	Gasless Send
	Send Instead of Transfer
	Costly Loop
	(Unsafe) Use of Untrusted Libraries
	(Unsafe) Use of Predictable Variables
	Transaction Ordering Dependence
	Deprecated Uses
Semantic Consistency Checks	Semantic Consistency Checks
	Business Logics Review

Advanced DeFi Scrutiny	Functionality Checks
	Authentication Management
	Access Control & Authorization
	Oracle Security
	Digital Asset Escrow
	Kill-Switch Mechanism
	Operation Trails & Event Generation
	ERC20 Idiosyncrasies Handling
	Frontend-Contract Integration
	Deployment Consistency
	Holistic Risk Management
Additional Recommendations	Avoiding Use of Variadic Byte Array
	Using Fixed Compiler Version
	Making Visibility Level Explicit
	Making Type Inference Explicit
	Adhering To Function Declaration Strictly
	Following Other Best Practices

Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) Classifications Used in This Audit:

Category	Summary
Configuration	Weaknesses in this category are typically introduced during the configuration of the software.
Data Processing Issues	Weaknesses in this category are typically found in functionality that processes data.
Numeric Errors	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper calculation or conversion of numbers.
Security Features	Weaknesses in this category are concerned with topics like authentication, access control, confidentiality, cryptography, and privilege management. (Software security is not security software.)
Time and State	Weaknesses in this category are related to the improper management of time and state in an environment that supports simultaneous or near-simultaneous computation by multiplesystems, processes, or threads.
Error Conditions, Return Values, Status Codes	Weaknesses in this category include weaknesses that occur if a function does not generate the correct return/status code,or if the application does not handle all possible return/status codes that could be generated by a function.
Resource Management	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper management of system resources.

Behavioral Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to unexpected behaviors from code that an application uses.
Business Logics	Weaknesses in this category identify some of the underlying problems that commonly allow attackers to manipulate the business logic of an application. Errors in business logic can be devastating to an entire application.
Initialization and Cleanup	Weaknesses in this category occur in behaviors that are used for initialization and breakdown.
Arguments and Parameters	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper use arguments or parameters within function calls.
Expression Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to incorrectly written expressions within code.
Coding Practices	Weaknesses in this category are related to coding practices that are deemed unsafe and increase the chances that an ex pilotable vulnerability will be present in the application. They may not directly introduce a vulnerability, but indicate the product has not been carefully developed or maintained.

Findings

Summary

Here is a summary of our findings after analyzing the AESPool_rEther Smart Contract Review. During the first phase of our audit, we studied the smart contract source code and ran our in-house static code analyzer through the Specific tool. The purpose here is to statically identify known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) issues reported by tool. We further manually review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.

Severity	No. of Issues
Critical	0
High	0
Medium	0
Low	1(Resolved/Acknowledged)
Total	1

We have so far identified that there are potential issues with severity of **0 Critical, 0 High, 0 Medium, and 1 Low.** Overall, these smart contracts are well-designed and engineered, though the implementation can be improved and bug free by common recommendations given under POCs.

Functional Overview

($) = payable function # = non-constant function	[Pub] public [Ext] external [Prv] private [Int] internal

+ AESPoolrEther (ReentrancyGuard)
  - [Pub] <Constructor> #
    - modifiers: ReentrancyGuard
  - [Int] FindStakerIndex
  - [Int] RemoveFromStakers #
  - [Pub] IsUserStaking
  - [Pub] FindPercentage
  - [Pub] TotalStakingBalance
  - [Pub] Stake ($)
    - modifiers: nonReentrant
  - [Pub] Unstake #
    - modifiers: nonReentrant
  - [Pub] CollectRewards #
    - modifiers: nonReentrant
  - [Pub] CollectFees #
    - modifiers: nonReentrant,CustodianOnly
  - [Pub] UpdateRewardTokenHoldingAmount #
    - modifiers: CustodianOnly
  - [Pub] RemoveFromRewardTokenHoldingAmount #
    - modifiers: CustodianOnly

- [Ext] <Fallback> ($)
  - modifiers: nonReentrant
- [Pub] UpdateRewardBalance #
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] GetStakersLength
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] GetStakerById
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] ChangeDistributionPercentage #
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] ChangeWithdrawalFee #
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] setAESAddress #
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly
- [Pub] WithdrawAES #
  - modifiers: CustodianOnly,nonReentrant
- [Pub] GetMATICBalance

Detailed Results

Issues Checking Status

1. Reentrancy

- SWC ID:107
- Severity: Low
- Location: https://github.com/aestandard/aestandard.pools/blob/main/contracts/AESPool_rEther.sol
- Relationships: CWE-841: Improper Enforcement of Behavioral Workflow
- Description: In the latest commit of code, there are several functions in which the Read and Write of persistent state following external call issues found. As the contract account state is accessed after an external call/s.

```
84      function TotalStakingBalance() public view returns (uint result) {
85        uint stakingTotal = 0;
86        for (uint x = 0; x < stakers.length; x++){
87          stakingTotal = stakingTotal + stakingBalance[stakers[x]];
88        }
89        return (stakingTotal / (10 ** 18));
90      }
```

```
108       function Unstake() public nonReentrant {
109         // Get the MATIC sender
110         address user = msg.sender;
111         // get the users staking balance
112         uint bal = stakingBalance[user];
113         // reqire the amount staked needs to be greater then 0
114         require(bal > 0, "Your staking balance cannot be zero");
115         // reset their staking balance
116         stakingBalance[user] = 0;
117         // Remove them from stakers
118         uint userPosition = FindStakerIndex(user);
119         RemoveFromStakers(userPosition);
120         isStaking[user] = false;
121         // Send the staker their MATIC (5% Withdrawal Fee)
122         uint fee = FindPercentage(bal, withdrawalFee);
123         uint matic = bal - fee;
124         (bool sent, ) = user.call{value: matic}("");
125         if(!sent){
126           stakingBalance[user] = bal;
127         }else{
128           // Send the fee
129           custodianFees = custodianFees + fee;
130         }
131       }
```

```
145       function CollectFees() public nonReentrant CustodianOnly {
146         (bool sent, ) = custodian.call{value: custodianFees}("");
147         if(sent){custodianFees = 0;}
148       }
```

```
155     function RemoveFromRewardTokenHoldingAmount(uint amount) public CustodianOnly {
156       aesTokenHoldingAmount = aesTokenHoldingAmount - amount;
157     }
158
159     // Don't send matic directly to the contract
160     receive() external payable nonReentrant {
161       (bool sent, ) = custodian.call{value: msg.value}("");
162       if(!sent){ custodianFees = custodianFees + msg.value; }
163     }
```

- Remediations: The best practices to avoid Reentrancy weaknesses are:
    - Make sure all internal state changes are performed before the call is executed. This is known as the Checks-Effects-Interactions pattern

- Acknowledged: After this phase of Audit, theses issues were discussed with the AE Standard Finance's dev team, and they acknowledged the issue but as there is no serious security threat due to this, they've decided to remain the code unchanged.

Basic Coding Bugs

1. Constructor Mismatch
    - Description: Whether the contract name and its constructor are not identical to each other.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Critical
2. Ownership Takeover
    - Description: Whether the set owner function is not protected.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Critical
3. Redundant Fallback Function
    - Description: Whether the contract has a redundant fallback function.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Critical
4. Overflows & Underflows
    - Description: Whether the contract has general overflow or underflow vulnerabilities
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Critical
5. Reentrancy
    - Description: Reentrancy is an issue when code can call back into your contract and change state, such as withdrawing ETHs.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Critical
6. MONEY-Giving Bug
    - Description: Whether the contract returns funds to an arbitrary address.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: High

7. Blackhole

   - Description: Whether the contract locks ETH indefinitely: merely in without out.
   - Result: PASSED
   - Severity: High

8. Unauthorized Self-Destruct

   - Description: Whether the contract can be killed by any arbitrary address.
   - Result: PASSED
   - Severity: Medium

9. Revert DoS

   - Description: Whether the contract is vulnerable to DoS attack because of unexpected revert.
   - Result: PASSED
   - Severity: Medium

10. Unchecked External Call

    - Description: Whether the contract has any external call without checking the return value.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Medium

11. Gasless Send

    - Description: Whether the contract is vulnerable to gasless send.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Medium

12. Send Instead of Transfer

    - Description: Whether the contract uses send instead of transfer.
    - Result: PASSED
    - Severity: Medium

13. Costly Loop

- Description: Whether the contract has any costly loop which may lead to Out-Of-Gas exception.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Medium

14. (Unsafe) Use of Untrusted Libraries

- Description: Whether the contract use any suspicious libraries.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Medium

15. (Unsafe) Use of Predictable Variables

- Description: Whether the contract contains any randomness variable, but its value can be predicated.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Medium

16. Transaction Ordering Dependence

- Description: Whether the final state of the contract depends on the order of the transactions.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Medium

17. Deprecated Uses

- Description: Whether the contract use the deprecated tx.origin to perform the authorization.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Medium

Semantic Consistency Checks

- Description: Whether the semantic of the white paper is different from the implementation of the contract.
- Result: PASSED
- Severity: Critical

Conclusion

In this audit, we thoroughly analyzed AE Standard Finance Technologies' Smart Contract. The current code base is well organized but there are promptly some low-level issues found in this phase of Smart Contract Audit Which is Acknowledged by the AE Standard Finance's dev team, but as there is no serious security threat due to this, they've decided to remain the code unchanged.

Meanwhile, we need to emphasize that smart contracts as a whole are still in an early, but exciting stage of development. To improve this report, we greatly appreciate any constructive feedbacks or suggestions, on our methodology, audit findings, or potential gaps in scope/coverage.

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