

Vulnerability Assessment Report

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System Description

The server hardware consists of a powerful CPU processor and 128GB of memory. It runs on the latest version of Linux operating system and hosts a MySQL database management system. It is configured with a stable network connection using IPv4 addresses and interacts with other servers on the network. Security measures include SSL/TLS encrypted connections.

Scope

The scope of this vulnerability assessment relates to the current access controls of the system. The assessment will cover a period of three months, from June 2025 to August 2025. [NIST SP 800-30 Rev. 1](#) is used to guide the risk analysis of the information system.

Purpose

Consider the following questions to help you write:

- *How is the database server valuable to the business?*
- *Why is it important for the business to secure the data on the server?*
- *How might the server impact the business if it were disabled?*

Risk Assessment

| Threat source | Threat event | Likelihood | Severity | Risk |
|--------------------|--|------------|----------|------|
| Hacktivist | Infiltrate and acquire sensitive data and information in hopes of promoting political cause | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Malicious Software | Implement software with the main goal of acquiring, shutting down, or destroying systems | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Power Outages | Unexpected loss of power, can affect systems such as data loss, equipment damage, or shutting down systems | 2 | 3 | 3 |

Approach

Risks considered the data storage and management methods of the business. The likelihood of a threat occurrence and the impact of these potential events were weighed against the risks to day-to-day operational needs.

Remediation Strategy

Implementation of authentication, authorization, and auditing mechanisms to ensure that only authorized users access the database server. This includes using strong passwords, role-based access controls, and multi-factor authentication to limit user privileges. Encryption of data in motion using TLS instead of SSL. IP allow-listing to corporate offices to prevent random users from the internet from connecting to the database.