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This analysis is based on Jefford Risk Analysis paper. In this paper I am performing quantitative risk assessment based on the information given in the research paper file. The file has been uploaded on my GitHub link with name of "Jefford-Quantitative Risk Analysis"

Quantitative Assessment

The cost of data breach is considered as \$165 per record source: Cost of data breach source

ALE before countermeasure

ASSET	Cost of data	AV	VULNERABILITY	THREAT	IMF	ACT DUE TO	ANNUALI	MPACT
	breach				EF	SLE(\$) = AV * EF	ARO	ALE = SLE * ARO
PDIS Database			AMC is running on legacy operating systems and software (over 5 years older), and incompatibility between systems leaves vulnerabilities such as misconfiguration and security holes Databases in AMC run a form of structured query language (SQL) attacker can use SQL injections to attack databases. An SQL injection is a very serious attack it can effect confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the AMC database. SQL injection attack can give to the attackers					
Server	\$165	(\$165 * 50000)	unrestricted access to an entire database	Hacking/ Malware	1	8250000	0.8	6600000
	·			Insider	0.09	742500	0.14	103950
							Total ALE before	
							countermeasure	6703950

Calculations:

Cost of data breach * AV = \$165*50000 = 8250000 Exposure factor is assumed as 1 and 0.09 Annual rate of occurrence is assumed as 0.8 and 0.14

SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 8250000 SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 742500 ALE = SLE * ARO = 6600000 ALE = SLE * ARO = 103950

Total ALE = 6703950

ALE after countermeasure 1

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	breach				EF	SLE(\$) = AV * EF	ARO	ALE = SLE * ARO
			AMC is running on legacy operating systems and software					
			(over 5 years older), and incompatibility between systems					
			leaves vulnerabilities such as misconfiguration and security					
			holes					
			Databases in AMC run a form of structured query language					
			(SQL) attacker can use SQL injections to attack databases. An					
			SQL injection is a very serious attack it can effect					
			confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the AMC					
PDIS Database		8250000	database. SQL injection attack can give to the attackers					
Server	\$165	(\$165 * 50000)	unrestricted access to an entire database	Hacking/ Malware	0.98	8085000	0.12	97020
				Insider	0.009	74250	0.8	59400
							Total ALE after	
							countermeasure	156420

Calculations:

Cost of data breach * AV = \$165*50000 = 8250000 Exposure factor is assumed as 0.98 and 0.009 Annual rate of occurrence is assumed as 0.12 and 0.8

SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 8085000 SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 74250

ALE = SLE * ARO = 97020

ALE = SLE * ARO = 59400

Total ALE = 156420

Benefit after countermeasure 1 = Total ALE before countermeasure 1 - Total ALE after countermeasure 1

Benefit after countermeasure 1 = 6703950 – 156420

Benefit after countermeasure 1 = 6,547,530

	Benefit after countermeasure 1 / Benefit after countermeasure 1 + Benefit after countermeasure 2
Budget that AMC can spend on	6547530 / 6547530 + 6691740 = 0.494
countermeasure 1	

Budget that AMC can spend on countermeasure 1 = Benefit after countermeasure 1 / Benefit after countermeasure 1 + Benefit after countermeasure 2

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ALE after countermeasure - 2

ASSET	Cost of data	AV	VULNERABILITY	THREAT	IMPACT DUE TO		ANNUAL IMPACT	
	breach				EF	SLE(\$) = AV * EF	ARO	ALE = SLE * ARO
			AMC is running on legacy operating systems and software					
			(over 5 years older), and incompatibility between systems					
			leaves vulnerabilities such as misconfiguration and security					
			holes					
			Databases in AMC run a form of structured query language					
			(SQL) attacker can use SQL injections to attack databases. An					
			SQL injection is a very serious attack it can effect					
			confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the AMC					
PDIS Database		8250000	database. SQL injection attack can give to the attackers					
Server	\$165	(\$165 * 50000)	unrestricted access to an entire database	Hacking/ Malware	0.098	808500	0.014	11319
				Insider	0.0009	7425	0.12	891
							Total ALE after	
							countermeasure	12210

Calculations:

Cost of data breach * AV = \$165*50000 = 8250000 Exposure factor is assumed as 0.098 and 0.0009 Annual rate of occurrence is assumed as 0.014 and 0.12

SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 808500 SLE(\$) = AV * EF = 7425 ALE = SLE * ARO = 11319 ALE = SLE * ARO = 891

Total ALE = 12210

Benefit after countermeasure 2 = Total ALE before countermeasure 1 - Total ALE after countermeasure 2

Benefit after countermeasure 2 = 6703950 – 12210

Benefit after countermeasure 2 = 6691740

	Benefit after countermeasure 2 / Benefit after countermeasure 2 + Benefit after countermeasure 1
Budget that AMC can spend	6691740 / 6547530 + 6547530 = 0.505
on countermeasure 2	

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Online reference for **Cost of data breech** : https://securityintelligence.com/cost-of-a-data-breach-2015/