



Invensys Wonderware Security Bulletin

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Invensys Wonderware InTouch Improper Input Validation Vulnerability ([LFSEC0000081](#))

Rating

High

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Overview

Positive Technologies have discovered a *vulnerability* in the InTouch 2012 R2 HMI product which exists in all previous versions. This vulnerability, if exploited, could allow attackers to access local resources (files and internal resources) or enable denial of service attacks. The rating is **High** and may require social engineering to exploit. Social engineering is when people are unknowingly manipulated to perform certain actions that may be detrimental to the system. For example, asking an end-user to click on an email link or download a file.

This security bulletin announces the software update availability to customers. The update has been tested on InTouch 2012 R2 (Version 10.6) and is included in System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01.

Recommendations

Customers using version 2012 R2 of Wonderware InTouch SHOULD apply System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01. All earlier versions should apply the mitigations listed below.

Note: FCS, InFusion, and InFusion SCADA customers use earlier versions of InTouch, and should also refer to the mitigation section.

Please contact Wonderware tech support if you need assistance.

NVD Common Vulnerability Scoring System

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has adopted the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) that provides an open framework for communicating the characteristics and impacts of IT vulnerabilities. The system is comprised of components: impact, exploitability and complexity as well as added determinants such as authentication and impact type. In summary, the components such as impact are given an individual score between 0.0 and 10.0. The average of all components is the overall score where the maximum is 10.0 (Critical). Details about this scoring system can be found here:

<http://nvd.nist.gov/cvss.cfm>

R&D assessment of this vulnerability using the CVSS Version 2.0 calculator gives this issue an Overall CVSS Score of 6.3. To review the assessment, use this link: [National Vulnerability Database Calculator for LFSEC0000081](#). Customers have the option in the Environmental Score Metrics section of the calculator to further refine the assessment based on the organizational environment of the installed product. Adding the Environmental Score Metrics will assist the customer in determining the operational

consequences of this vulnerability on their installation.¹

Affected Products and Components²

The following table identifies the currently supported products affected³. Software updates can be downloaded from the Wonderware Development Network (“Software Download” area) using the links embedded in the table below.

Product and Component	Supported Operating System	Security Impact	Severity Rating	Software Update
InTouch 2012 R2	Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7	6.3	Medium-Low	WW-ASP2012R2-P01 (LFSEC00000081)
InTouch 2012 Patch 01	Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7	6.3	Medium-Low	See Mitigations
InTouch earlier versions	Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7	6.3	Medium-Low	See Mitigations
FCS, InFusion, and InFusion SCADA – All versions	Windows XP, Windows 7	6.3	Medium-Low	See Mitigations

Non-Affected Products

- Wonderware Historian Clients
- Wonderware Information Server and Clients (earlier Security Update Released)
- Wonderware Intelligence Server and Clients
- Wonderware MES
- Wonderware InBatch

Background

Wonderware is the market leader in real-time operations management software and InTouch is their flagship Human Machine Interface (HMI) used for designing, building, deploying and maintaining standardized applications for manufacturing and infrastructure operations.

Vulnerability Characterization

InTouch contains a vulnerability that may allow access to local files and other internal resources by exploiting improper parsing of XML external entities in an unsecure deployment⁴. If an attacker manages to make a victim open a project that contains specially crafted XML, InTouch may automatically send the contents of local or remote resource to the attacker's server. It also makes possible to conduct denial of service attacks.

¹ [CVSS Guide](#)

² Registered trademarks and trademarks must be noted such as “Windows Vista and Windows XP are trademarks of the Microsoft group of companies.”

³ Customers running earlier versions may contact their support provider for guidance.

Any machine that has InTouch 2012 R2 installed is affected and must be patched using the System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01 described in the ReadMe.

Update Information

On nodes with InTouch 2012 R2, install the System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01 using instructions provided in the ReadMe for the product and component being installed. The Security Update for LFSEC00000081 is included in the System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01 and is the only way to receive the Security Update. For all other previous versions of these products please see the [Mitigations](#) section.

Mitigations

Invensys has developed an update to the InTouch HMI software that mitigates the XML Entity Injection vulnerability. The Positive Technologies Research Team has tested the update and validated that it fixes the vulnerability. Instructions and a link to the update are found at:

<https://wdn.wonderware.com/sites/WDN/Pages/Security%20Central/CyberSecurityUpdates.aspx>

According to Invensys, any machine running one or more of the products listed above is affected and should be patched. No other components of the Wonderware installed products are affected. Users should upgrade older versions to the InTouch 2012 R2 release and install System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01 using instructions provided in the ReadMe file for the product and component being installed. Invensys recommends that users:

- Read the installation instructions provided with the patch.
- Shut down any of the affected software products.
- Install the update.
- Restart the software.

For FCS customers, the upgrade to Foxboro Evo Control HMI will include System Platform 2012 R2 Patch 01 as part of the standard installation process. No patch is required with Foxboro Evo Control HMI.

Invensys and ICS-CERT recommend implementing the following defensive measures to protect against this vulnerability and other cyber security risks. This is the recommend mitigation strategy, regardless of whether asset owners can or cannot upgrade to InTouch 2012 R2 Patch 01.

- Minimize network exposure for all control system devices. Critical devices should not directly face the Internet and there should be no outbound connections from the control system LAN that allow resolution to undefined (non-whitelisted) Internet endpoints.
- Locate control system networks and remote devices behind firewalls, and isolate them from the business network.
- When remote access is required, use secure methods, such as Virtual Private Networks (VPNs), recognizing that VPN is only as secure as the connected devices.

ICS-CERT also provides a section for control systems security recommended practices on the ICS-CERT Web page. Several recommended practices are available for reading and download, including Improving Industrial Control Systems Cybersecurity with Defense-in-Depth Strategies. ICS-CERT reminds organizations to perform proper impact analysis and risk assessment prior to taking defensive measures.

Additional mitigation guidance and recommended practices are publicly available in the ICS-CERT Technical Information Paper, ICS-TIP-12-146-01B—Targeted Cyber Intrusion Detection and Mitigation Strategies that is available for download from the ICS-CERT Web page (www.ics-cert.org).

Organizations observing any suspected malicious activity should follow their established internal procedures and report their findings to ICS-CERT for tracking and correlation against other incidents.

Existence Of Exploit

No known public exploits specifically target this vulnerability.

Other Information

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Support

For information on how to reach Invensys support for your product, refer to this link: [Invensys Customer First Support](#). If you discover errors or omissions in this bulletin, please report the finding to support.

Invensys Cyber Security Updates

For information and useful links related to security updates, please visit the [Cyber Security Updates](#) site.

Cyber Security Standards and Best Practices

For information regarding how to secure Industrial Control Systems operating in a Microsoft Windows environment, please reference the [Invensys Securing Industrial Control Systems Guide](#).

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