Mandiant is a trusted advisor to organizations globally with over 10 years of experience dealing with advanced threat actors from around the world. We support organizations during the most critical times after a security breach has been identified and proactively help them improve their detection, response and containment capabilities. The Industrial Control Systems (ICS) HealthCheck combines Mandiant’s knowledge of threat actors and experience responding to security incidents with our ICS consultants’ domain expertise to deliver an in-depth evaluation of how well-segmented, protected and monitored your ICS network is in practice.

Overview
The ICS HealthCheck is a minimally invasive assessment of an industrial facility’s overall cyber security posture. This assessment is specifically designed to meet the needs of organizations concerned about the operational risk associated with software-based agents, network scanning or other more aggressive security evaluation techniques. The ICS HealthCheck combines Mandiant’s knowledge of threat actors and experience responding to security incidents with our ICS consultants’ domain expertise to deliver an in-depth evaluation of how well-segmented, protected and monitored your ICS network is in practice.

Our approach
Architectural Risk Analysis & Threat Modeling
Document Current Network Understanding
- Review existing architecture diagrams, dataflow and designs.
- Inventory and evaluate industrial communications protocols that are in use.
- Review any existing security standards for hardware and software deployment.
WHAT YOU GET

- **Threat Model Diagram:**
  A representative diagram of your ICS that maps the various threat vectors that could be used by attackers to disrupt or degrade your operations, and a discussion of how to prioritize the appropriate security controls.

- **ICS HealthCheck report:**
  A detailed technical report describing Mandiant’s observations, including any security vulnerabilities, misconfigurations, architectural weaknesses, suspicious network traffic or anomalous activity with actionable and prioritized technical recommendations for each observation, along with a summary of the key themes emerging from the assessment.

- **Presentation of Strategic and Technical Recommendations:**
  A summary of our observations and recommendations to the technical and management-level stakeholders.

Develop Threat Model

- Take the resulting architecture diagrams and create the basis for a threat model during an interactive workshop with the customer’s IT and operations/engineering staff.
- Build visual representation of the possible attacks on the control system, based on our extensive knowledge of real-world attacker tactics.
- Aid the prioritization of security control implementation for ICS, identifying the attack vectors representing the most exposure and risk.

Prioritize Controls

- Facilitate a discussion with your technical team to identify security controls that appropriately address the identified threats.
- Provide a value-based prioritization of the potential controls, considering factors such as risk reduction, cost/effort and speed of implementation.

Technical Data Analysis

**Network Segmentation Review:** We analyze a network packet capture file from a FireEye PX device deployed to the customer’s ICS network. The packet capture is reviewed for security risks such as:

- Unintended connectivity from the ICS to the Internet or business network
- Dual-homed devices
- ICS protocols traversing the ICS firewall
- Anomalous computer-to-computer connections

**Security Device Configuration Review:** We review the efficacy of the configuration and rule-sets of network security devices, such as firewalls. For example:

- Inbound traffic to the ICS network should always be routed through a DMZ.
- ICS networks should not be allowed to directly access, and should never be directly connected, to the Internet.

Report Sample

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