Overview

Schneider Electric is aware of multiple vulnerabilities impacting its Modicon Controllers offers. The File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is used to transfer configuration files to products to simplify product configuration and to update firmware version. FTP uses hardcoded credentials to automate the file transfer process. The vulnerability exposes the hardcoded credentials. Access to credentials could lead to utilization of these services by unauthorized users, which could lead to unintended controller operation and unintended operation for the devices that connect to the controller FTP server for their configuration files.

Affected Product(s)

All versions of the following product references:

**M340 CPUs**
- BMX P34x

**M340 communication modules**
- BMX NOE 0100
- BMX NOE 0110
- BMX NOC 0401

**Premium CPUs**
- TSX P57x

**Premium communication modules**
- TSX ETY x103

**Quantum CPUs**
- 140 CPU6x

**Quantum communication modules**
- 140 NOE 771x1
- 140 NOC 78x00
- 140 NOC 77101

Vulnerability Details

**CVE ID:** **CVE-2019-6852**

CVSS v3.0 Base Score 7.5 | (High) | CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N

A CWE-200: Information Exposure vulnerability exists which could cause the disclosure of FTP hardcoded credentials when using the Web server of the controller on an unsecure network.
CVE ID: **CVE-2019-6859**
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A CWE-798 use of hardcoded credentials vulnerability exists which could cause the disclosure of FTP hardcoded credentials when using the Web server of the controller on an unsecure network.

**Remediation**

**Modicon M340**: To mitigate the risks linked to this vulnerability, users should immediately apply the following instructions.

- Set up network segmentation and implement a firewall to block all unauthorized access to port 80/HTTP and port 21/FTP of the controller.
- Deactivate the FTP port and HTTP port when not used, following the recommendations of the user manual “Modicon M340 for Ethernet Communications Modules and Processors User Manual” in chapter “Security”:

**Modicon Premium and Quantum**: Schneider Electric's Modicon Premium and Quantum controllers have reached their end of life and are no longer commercially available. They have been replaced by the Modicon M580 ePAC controller, our current product offer. Customers should strongly consider migrating to the Modicon M580 ePAC. Please contact your local Schneider Electric technical support for more information.

To mitigate the risks linked to this vulnerability, users should immediately apply the following instructions:

- Setup network segmentation and implement a firewall to block all unauthorized access to port 80/HTTP and port 21/FTP of the controller
- Deactivate the FTP port and HTTP port when not used following the recommendations of the user manual “Premium and Atrium using EcoStruxure™ Control Expert - Ethernet Network Modules, User Manual” in chapters “Security Service Configuration Parameters”:
Product Information

Ethernet Programmable Automation Controller for industrial process and infrastructure

**Product Category** - All Categories

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How to determine if you are affected

Affected products listed in this security notification connected to an Ethernet network

General Security Recommendations

We strongly recommend the following industry cybersecurity best practices.

- Locate control and safety system networks and remote devices behind firewalls and isolate them from the business network.
- Place physical controls so no unauthorized person can access the ICS and safety controllers, peripheral equipment, or the ICS and safety networks.
- Place all controllers in locked cabinets and never leave them in the “Program” mode.
- Never connect programming software to any network other than the network for the devices that it is intended for.
- Scan all methods of mobile data exchange with the isolated network such as CDs, USB drives, etc. before use in the terminals or any node connected to these networks.
- Never allow laptops that have connected to any other network besides the intended network to connect to the safety or control networks without proper sanitation.
- Minimize network exposure for all control system devices and systems and ensure that they are not accessible from the Internet.
- When remote access is required, use secure methods, such as Virtual Private Networks (VPNs). Recognize that VPNs may have vulnerabilities and should be updated to the most current version available. Also recognize that VPNs are only as secure as the connected devices.

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For More Information

This document provides an overview of the identified vulnerability or vulnerabilities and actions required to mitigate. For more details and assistance on how to protect your installation, please contact your local Schneider Electric representative and/or Schneider Electric Industrial Cybersecurity Services. These organizations will be fully aware of this situation and can support you through the process.

http://www2.schneider-electric.com/sites/corporate/en/support/cybersecurity/cybersecurity.page

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