SSA-126840: Vulnerability in Communication Processor module CP 44x-1 RNA

Summary
Siemens has released update V1.4.1 for SIMATIC CP 44x-1 RNA modules that resolves a vulnerability that could allow unauthenticated users to perform administrative actions under certain conditions. Siemens recommends specific countermeasures until fixes can be applied.

Affected Products
- SIMATIC CP 44x-1 RNA: All versions < V1.4.1

Description
The Communication Processor (CP) of the Redundant Network Access (RNA) series have been designed to connect SIMATIC S7-400 CPUs to Industrial Ethernet.

Detailed information about the vulnerability is provided below.

Vulnerability Classification
The vulnerability classification has been performed by using the CVSS scoring system in version 3.0 (CVSS v3.0) (http://www.first.org/cvss/). The CVSS environmental score is specific to the customer’s environment and will impact the overall CVSS score. The environmental score should therefore be individually assessed by the customer to accomplish final scoring.

Vulnerability (CVE-2017-6868)
An unauthenticated remote user could perform administrative actions on the affected Communication Processor (CP) if network access (port 102/TCP) is available, and the CP’s configuration is stored on the corresponding CPU.

CVSS Base Score 9.8

Mitigating Factors
The attacker must have network access to port 102/TCP of the affected device and the configuration data of the CP must be stored on the CPU.

Solution
Siemens provides a firmware update V1.4.1 [1] for SIMATIC CP 44x-1 RNA modules which fixes the vulnerability and recommends customers update to the fixed version.

Siemens recommends the following mitigations until patches can be applied:
- Apply cell protection concept [2]
- Use VPN for protecting network communication between cells
- Apply Defense-in-Depth [3]

As a general security measure, Siemens strongly recommends configuring the environment according to our operational guidelines [2].
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[1] Firmware update V1.4.1 for SIMATIC CP 44x-1 RNA module can be obtained at:

[2] An overview of the operational guidelines for Industrial Security (with the cell protection
   concept):
   https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security

[3] Information about Industrial Security by Siemens:
   https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity

[4] For further inquiries on vulnerabilities in Siemens products and solutions, please
   contact the Siemens ProductCERT:
   https://www.siemens.com/cert/advisories

HISTORY DATA

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