

## **SSA-763427: Vulnerability in Communication Processor (CP) modules CP 343-1, TIM 3V-IE, TIM 4R-IE, and CP 443-1**

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### **SUMMARY**

Siemens has released updates for Communication Processor (CP) module families CP 343-1/TIM 3V-IE/TIM 4R-IE/CP 443-1 to resolve an authentication bypass vulnerability that could allow unauthenticated users to perform administrative operations under certain conditions.

### **AFFECTED PRODUCTS AND SOLUTION**

<b>Affected Product and Versions</b>	<b>Remediation</b>
CP 343-1 Lean / CP 343-1 (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V3.1.1	Update to V3.1.1 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109486101">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109486101</a>
CP 443-1 / CP 443-1 Advanced (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V3.2.9	Update to V3.2.9 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109482246">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109482246</a>
CP343-1 Advanced (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V3.0.44	Update to V3.0.44 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109480765">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109480765</a>
TIM 3V-IE / TIM 3V-IE Advanced (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V2.6.0	Update to V2.6.0 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481769">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481769</a>
TIM 3V-IE DNP3 (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V3.1.0	Update to V3.1.0 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481766">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481766</a>
TIM 4R-IE (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V2.6.0	Update to V2.6.0 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481769">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109481769</a>
TIM 4R-IE DNP3 (incl. SIPLUS NET variants): All versions < V3.1.0	Update to V3.1.0 <a href="https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109482246">https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109482246</a>

### **WORKAROUNDS AND MITIGATIONS**

Siemens has not identified any specific mitigations or workarounds.

## **GENERAL SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS**

As a general security measure, Siemens strongly recommends to protect network access to devices with appropriate mechanisms. In order to operate the devices in a protected IT environment, Siemens recommends to configure the environment according to Siemens' operational guidelines for Industrial Security (Download: <https://www.siemens.com/cert/operational-guidelines-industrial-security>), and to follow the recommendations in the product manuals.

Additional information on Industrial Security by Siemens can be found at: <https://www.siemens.com/industrialsecurity>

## **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Communication Processor (CP) modules of families SIMATIC CP 343-1 and CP 443-1 have been designed to enable SIMATIC S7-300/S7-400 CPUs for Ethernet communication.

The TIM 3V-IE is a SINAUT ST7 communications module for the SIMATIC S7-300. It has an RS-232 interface to which a suitable modem can be connected. It also has an RJ-45 interface that allows SINAUT ST7 communication over IP-based networks (LAN or WAN). The TIM 3V-IE is available in standard and advanced versions. With the advanced versions, the two interfaces can be used at the same time for SINAUT communication. The two transmission paths can be completely independent of each other or form a redundant transmission path.

The TIM 3V-IE DNP3 is a communications module for the SIMATIC S7-300. It handles the data traffic for the S7-CPU or for the control center PC with the aid of the DNP3 protocol. It has an RS-232 interface to which a suitable modem can be connected. It also has an RJ-45 interface that allows communication over IP-based networks (LAN or WAN).

SIPLUS extreme products are designed for reliable operation under extreme conditions and are based on SIMATIC, LOGO!, SITOP, SINAMICS, SIMOTION, SCALANCE or other devices. SIPLUS devices use the same firmware as the product they are based on.

## **VULNERABILITY CLASSIFICATION**

The vulnerability classification has been performed by using the CVSS scoring system in version 3.1 (CVSS v3.1) (<https://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 defined by the customer to accomplish final scoring.

An additional classification has been performed using the CWE classification, a community-developed list of common software security weaknesses. This serves as a common language and as a baseline for weakness identification, mitigation, and prevention efforts. A detailed list of CWE classes can be found at: <https://cwe.mitre.org/>.

### Vulnerability CVE-2015-8214

The implemented access protection level enforcement of the affected communication processors (CP) could possibly allow unauthenticated users to perform administrative operations on the CPs if network access (port 102/TCP) is available and the CPs' configuration was stored on their corresponding CPUs.

CVSS v3.1 Base Score	9.8
CVSS Vector	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H/E:P/RL:O/RC:C
CWE	CWE-306: Missing Authentication for Critical Function

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For further inquiries on security vulnerabilities in Siemens products and solutions, please contact the Siemens ProductCERT:

<https://www.siemens.com/cert/advisories>

## **HISTORY DATA**

V1.0 (2015-11-27): Publication Date  
V1.1 (2016-01-29): Added fix information for SIMATIC TIM 3V-IE and TIM 4R-IE modules  
V1.2 (2016-02-01): Added fix information for SIMATIC CP 443-1 / CP 443-1 Advanced  
V1.3 (2016-04-29): Added fix information for SIMATIC CP343-1 Lean / CP 343-1  
V1.4 (2020-02-10): SIPLUS devices now explicitly mentioned in the list of affected products

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