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1) Advisory information

Title	: Trend Micro Internet Security Pro 2010 ActiveX extSetOwner Remote Code Execution
Version	: UfPBCtrl.DLL 17.50.0.1366 (XP SP3)
Analysis	: http://www.abysssec.com
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Impact	: Critical
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2) Vulnerable version

Trend Micro Internet Security Pro 2010 and prior version may also be affected

3) Vulnerability information

Class

1- Uninitialized pointer code execution

Impact

Successfully exploiting this issue allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code or cause denial-of-service conditions.

Remotely Exploitable

Yes

Locally Exploitable

Yes

4) Vulnerabilities detail

The extSetOwner function of UfPBCtrl.dll activeX takes a pointer as its only argument. The pointer is not initialized before using and allows the attacker to transfer the control of the program to arbitrary address that may contain shellcode.

Here is the vulnerable sub_51602160 function which has some role in processing the extSetOwner function and takes extSetOwner argument as one of its argument:

toxt:51602160 sub 51	602160 proc near ; DATA XREF: .rdata:51605B08o
.text:51602160 sub_51	; .rdata:516064D0o
.text:51602160	, 11 uata.510004000
.text:51602160 arg_0	- dword ptr 4
.text:51602160 arg_C	
.text:51602160	
.text:51602160	push edi
.text:51602161	mov edi, [esp+4+arg_C]
.text:51602165	test edi, edi
.text:51602167	jnz short loc_51602172
.text:51602169	mov eax, 80004003h
.text:5160216E	pop edi
.text:5160216F	retn 14h
.text:51602172 ;	
.text:51602172	
.text:51602172 loc_516	502172: ; CODE XREF: sub_51602160+7j
.text:51602172	push esi
.text:51602173	mov esi, [esp+8+arg_0]
.text:51602177	mov eax, [esi+0ACh]
.text:5160217D	test eax, eax
.text:5160217F	jz short loc_51602193
.text:51602181	mov ecx, [eax]
.text:51602183	mov edx, [ecx+8]
.text:51602186	push eax
.text:51602187	call edx
.text:51602189	mov dword ptr [esi+0ACh], 0
.text:51602193	
.text:51602193 loc_516	· _ ·
.text:51602193	mov [esi+0ACh], edi
.text:51602199	mov eax, [edi]
.text:5160219B	mov ecx, [eax+4]
.text:5160219E	push edi
.text:5160219F	call ecx
.text:516021A1	pop esi

.text:516021A2	xor	eax, eax
.text:516021A4	рор	edi
.text:516021A5	retn	14h
.text:516021A5 sub_	5160216) endp

As the above code demonstrate in the beginning of function the address which is sent to the function is stored in edi register and checked if zero or not. If the address is zero or null the function returns, but in case of not being a null address the conditional jump at address 51602167 is taken. If you follow the code you will notice that at address 51602199 the function store the content of edi register to eax and after incrementing eax by 4 and storing the contents of resulted pointer to ecx register, it call ecx without any previous check.

So if we redirect edi register to a valid pointer, it is possible to transfer the program flow to our arbitrary shellcode.

Exploit:

To exploit this vulnerability it is possible to use heap spray method to load our shellcode to memory and after allocating heap and initializing it to nop slides and shellcode the attacker can transfer the control to allocated heap by using proper pointer address to vulnerable extSetOwner function.

The point here is before using edi the function references its contents and after adding 4 to the pointer, there is another reference. So for heap range of example 0x0a0a0a0a an attacker should find a valid address in memory that contains value of 0x0a0a0a06 (0x0a0a0a0a – 0x4) ,so after referencing this address and adding 4 ,the call ecx instruction will call 0x0a0a0a0a that is the address in range of our allocated heap.

Here is an example that we have used a valid address containing our heap spray range address – 4 in mshtml.dll.

target.extSetOwner(unescape('%ua5de%u3da6'));

//mshtml.dll [0x3DA6A5DE] = 0A0A0A06