

Supplier Sharing Call

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Opening Remarks

Frank Harrill

Vice President, Security, Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL)

Purpose of the Sharing Calls

- Provide an opportunity for suppliers to talk about cyber security issues and practices ranging from
 - How establish a security program, to
 - In-depth discussions on a specific technical challenge
- Leverage knowledge from lessons learned
- Share information
- Calls will be limited to suppliers unless otherwise noted

Contributing Organizations

- Hitachi Energy
- International Society of Automation (ISA)
- National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)
- Schneider Electric
- Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL)
- Siemens Energy
- US Chamber of Commerce
- With support from:
 - Nebraska Public Power District
 - Southern Company
 - North American Transmission Forum (NATF)

Today's Agenda and Presenters

- Comments from a Customer - Jennifer Couch (Southern Co)
- Being Prepared for Government Actions – Michael Pyle (Schneider Electric) and Heath Knakmuhs (US Chamber of Commerce)
- Provenance Concerns – Michael Pyle (Schneider Electric)
- Use of Software Bills of Material – Frank Harrill (SEL), Chris Fitzhugh (Siemens Energy) and Andre Ristaino (ISA)
- Cyber Readiness Institute – Lessie Longstreet
- Future Topics – Frank Harrill (SEL)

Comments from a Customer

Jennifer Couch, Southern Company

- View from the customer
- Value of the partnership
- We are in this together
- We're all suppliers to someone

Participants Available for Discussion/Questions

- Andre Ristaino (ISA)
- Steve Griffith (NEMA)
- Michael Pyle (Schneider Electric)
- Frank Harrill (SEL)
- Chris Fitzhugh (Siemens Energy)
- Heath Knakmuhs (US Chamber of Commerce)
- Jon Terrell (Hitachi Energy)

Please remember to either raise your hand to ask a question or you can put your question into the chat or Q&A.

Future Calls

- Planned for approximately every 2 months from 1-2:30pm ET
 - March 22, 2023 – Open to NATF Members
 - May 24, 2023 – Open to NATF Members
 - July 19, 2023
 - Sept 27, 2023
 - Nov 29, 2023
- Could keep a main topic for the call to 1 hour with a special group break-out (e.g., small suppliers) for the last half hour
 - There will be a poll at the end of the call
- Calls are not recorded
- Slides will be available

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Being Prepared for Government Actions

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Director of Product Cyber Security, Schneider Electric
and

Heath Knakmuhs

Vice President and Policy Counsel, US Chamber of Commerce

Staying One Step Ahead

- *Status quo* of rational regulation from most governments
 - Any forcing mechanism upends this dynamic
 - Executive and Legislative interest remains high in the absence of a forcing “event”
- Adopt best practices/pragmatic approaches to security – both for individual and collective industry benefit
- Well-developed and vetted industry practices/structures are preferable to rushed regulations of government origin
- Relationship between establishment of security practices/hygiene and identification of new vulnerabilities
 - Practices to combat new vulnerabilities should feed into security practices
 - Security practices should support the identification and defense from new vulnerabilities

If suppliers can prevent “bad things” from happening the need for spontaneous and unvetted regulation should be mitigated

Strategic and Tactical Approach

Tactical Actions

- Adopt best practices/pragmatic approaches to security for both product development and your enterprise aligned with relevant International Standards e.g., ISA/IEC 62443, CISA cross-sectoral cyber performance goals, etc.
- Implement policies and processes to comply with regulations for your own systems
- Encourage customers to adopt best practices for their Enterprise & OT systems

Strategic Actions

- Incorporate capabilities into products that facilitate end user compliance with regulations
- Threat modeling to ensure your controls keep pace with the evolving threat landscape
- Invest in a regulatory tracking position/function for your business

Provenance Concerns

Michael Pyle

Director of Product Cyber Security, Schneider Electric

Understanding Provenance

NIST 800-53 Rev 5 defines Provenance as:

The chronology of the origin, development, ownership, location, and changes to a system or system component and associated data. It may also include personnel and processes used to interact with or make modifications to the system, component, or associated data

Provenance considerations can not only cover software and firmware, including open source, but logic hardware components as well

Suppliers must take ownership for knowing the provenance of components provided by their suppliers, and require the same of those suppliers

Addressing Provenance

Establish a policy and acceptance criteria governing provenance that is applied upfront in the procurement/decision to use process

- For open source, review the location and nationalities of those on the governance board – who is making the commits?
- Where possible use North American suppliers; avoid adversarial environments
- Apply standard contract language covering provenance
- Include provenance when evaluating supplier risk

Addressing Provenance

Utilize the NERC guidance developed by the Supply Chain Working Group:

Security Guideline for the Electric Sector - Supply Chain: Provenance

https://www.nerc.com/comm/RSTC_Reliability_Guidelines/Security_Guideline-Provenance.pdf

Security Guideline: Risk Considerations for Open Source Software:

https://www.nerc.com/comm/RSTC_Reliability_Guidelines/Security_Guideline-Risk_Considerations_Open_Source_Software.pdf [nerc.com]

Trust but Verify

- Conduct your own analysis when possible, such as binary code analysis, running in a sand-boxed environment, and even source code review and tear-downs

Use of Software Bills of Materials (SBOMs)

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and

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with

Andre Ristaino

Managing Director, Global Consortia, Conformity Assessment, International Society of
Automation (ISA)

The Importance of an SBOM

- SBOMs are invaluable to a supplier
 - Components must be continuously monitored for the existence of vulnerabilities and continuity of support
- The utility of an SBOM to a customer is more difficult to measure
 - Vulnerability Exploitability eXchange (VEX) document
 - Update cadence
 - Depth
 - Third-party solution providers
 - Supplier vulnerability advisories
 - Secure development lifecycle certification

SBOMs – Current State

- The concept should be well-established, even if the SBOM term is new
- EO 14028, *Improving the Nation's Cybersecurity*
 - Minimum elements from NTIA
- CISA workstreams
 - Cloud and online applications
 - On-ramps and adoption
 - Sharing and exchange
 - Tooling and implementation
- Sharing formats
 - CycloneDX (CDX)
 - Software package data exchange (SPDX)

Value of Third-Party Secure Product Development Certification such as the ISA 62443*

1	Development process	25	Security requirements testing
2	Identification of responsibilities	26	Threat mitigation testing
3	Identification of applicability	27	Vulnerability testing
4	Security expertise	28	Penetration testing
5	Process scoping	29	Independence of testers
6	File integrity	30	Receiving notifications of security-related issues
7	Development environment security		
8	Controls for private keys	31	Reviewing security-related issues
9	Security requirements for externally provided components	32	Assessing security-related issues
10	Custom developed components from third-party	33	Addressing security-related issues
11	Assessing and addressing security-related issues	34	Disclosing security-related issues
12	Process verification	35	Periodic review of security defect management practice
13	Continuous improvement	36	Security update qualification
14	Product security context	37	Security update documentation
15	Threat model	38	Dependent component or operating system security update documentation
16	Product security requirements	39	Security update delivery
17	Product security requirements content	40	Timely delivery of security patches
18	Security requirements review	41	Product defense in depth
19	Secure design principles	42	Defense in depth measures expected in the environment
20	Defense in depth design	43	Security hardening guidelines
21	Security design review	44	Secure disposal guidelines
22	Secure design best practices	45	Secure operation guidelines
23	Security implementation review	46	Account management guidelines
24	Secure coding standards	47	Documentation review

For more information, see:
[ISASecure SDLA 312-62443-4-1](#)
[assessment specification](#)
 and
www.isasecure.org

Questions



Cyber Readiness Institute

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The Cyber Readiness Institute

- Convenes senior leaders of global companies and supply chain partners
- Shares cybersecurity best practices and resources
- Develops **free** content and tools to improve the Cyber Readiness of small and medium-sized enterprises



Free Cyber Readiness Institute Resources

- Cyber Readiness Program: <https://cyberreadinessinstitute.org/the-program/>
- Cyber Leader Certification Program: <https://programs.cyberreadinessinstitute.org/courses/cyber-leader-program>
- Starter Kit: <https://cyberreadinessinstitute.org/starter-kit/>
- Ransomware Playbook: <https://cyberreadinessinstitute.org/quick-facts-from-the-ransomware-playbook/>
- Visit **BeCyberReady.com** for even more resources
- Contact: Lessie Longstreet llongstreet@cyberreadinessinstitute.org if you have specific questions


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Future Calls

- **Mark your calendar for future calls – all are from 1pm-2:30pm eastern!**
- **March 22** – *the call will be open to suppliers and NATF companies*
 - What information entities need, but may be having difficulty getting, from suppliers to meet regulatory requirements and/or audits.
 - How are entities using SBOMs?
- **May 24** – *the call will be open to suppliers and NATF companies*
 - What do regulations require of entities? Overview of NERC CIP standards and CMMC (IEC 27001 & ISA/IEC 62443)
 - How can suppliers partner with entities for efficient compliance management? What are the pain points or gaps for providing information?
- **July 19** – *the call will be exclusively for suppliers to address areas identified on the March and May calls*

Future Calls

- What would you like to talk about during the next call or a future call? Deeper dive
- Would you like to have a separate break out for small suppliers? Or a different subgroups?
- Several ways to respond to these questions:
 - Respond to the Slido poll
 - Join the conversation (raise your hand or put a comment in the chat or Q&A)
 - Send an email to one of the NATF staff members or to your NEMA or US Chamber of Commerce representatives

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What topics would you like to have discussed in depth on future calls?

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Would you like to have specific sessions for the following types of suppliers?

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Questions



Thank you for attending!

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