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RENDER* Pilot Project
ReACT **& ATAC***Frontier Projects

Cybersecurity for Energy Delivery Systems Peer Review

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*Risk Evaluation Nexus for Digital -Age Energy Reliability
**Response Analysis and Characterization Tool
***Attack Technology, Analysis and Characterization

Summary: RENDER

- **Objective**
  - Establish a methodology and process to take exploits, malware, and vulnerabilities (EMV) selected by the RENDER working group and analyze for operational impact to the energy sector.
- **Schedule**
  - Start: 10/1/2012 End: 6/30/2014
  - Deliverables: Four Analysis Topic Reports; Final Concept of Operations Report
  - RENDER is a capability to select, evaluate and analyze EMV, then collaborate with vendors and asset owners to determine impact to the grid of cyber attack

RENDER Working Group

- **Total Value of Award:** $1M
- **% Funds expended to date:** 100%
  Performer: Idaho National Laboratory
- **Partners:** DOE-OE, Alstom, Schneider/Telvent, Siemens, Ameren, Dominion

State of the Art & Challenges

- Currently: Evaluation and analysis of EMV is performed by individual vendors and 3rd party researchers and information is shared with customers and/or entities like ICS-CERT
- RENDER Method exercised an approach to characterize and score EMV against specific control systems – sharing results with vendors and asset owns and evaluating overall likelihood and impact metrics
- Value to Industry: The RENDER process results in a deeper understanding of EMVs, including metrics and mitigations, for vendors and asset owners and the potential impact to the energy sector for government.
- Challenges: Legal agreements, Selection of EMV, & Likelihood Metrics

Progress to Date

- **Major Accomplishments**
  - RENDER Pilot Project completed Jun 30, 2014 with delivery of final Concept of Operations Report
  - Analysis Subject (AS)4, Cross-Site Scripting (XSS), completed May 12, 2014
  - AS3, Aegis DNP3 Fuzzer Tool, completed Apr 24, 2014
  - AS2, Privilege Escalation, completed Feb 11, 2014
  - AS1, DNP3 Input Validation Vulnerability, completed Feb 26, 2014
  - Two Vendors with systems at INL; 3rd Vendor executed CRADA after pilot project completion to participate

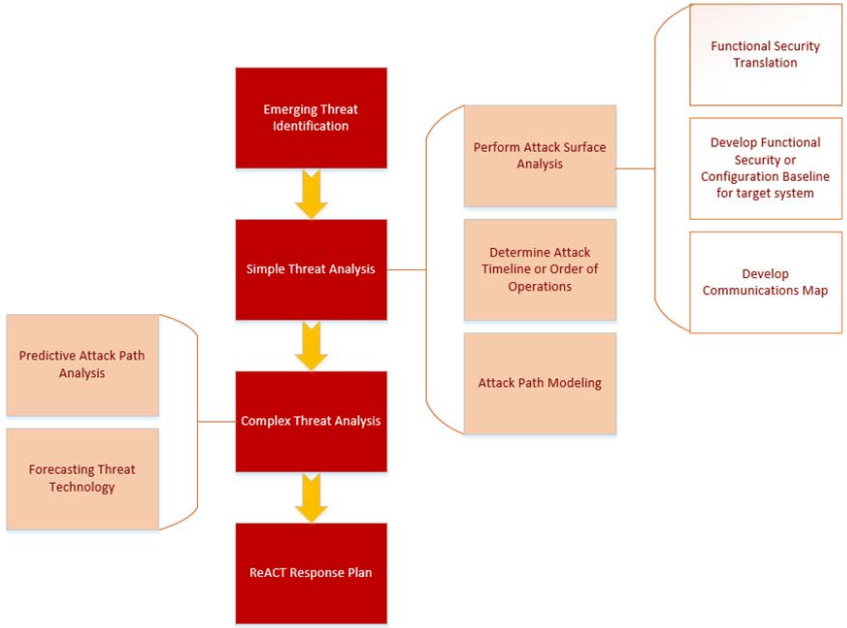
Collaboration & Next Steps

- **Plans to transfer technology/knowledge to end user**
  - Direct information and collaboration is targeted to all vendors and energy sector asset owners
    - Sanitized information could be used also by other research entities and knowledge bases
- **Next Steps: Pilot and Production**
  - Integrate ATAC and ReACT methodology
  - Secure Information Sharing Portal to communicate with the working group
  - Improve of the RENDER method
  - Open RENDER configurations to more R&D entities

Summary: ATAC

Objective

- Threat intelligence is not immediately useful and actionable for most teams. ATAC is an information schema and analysis process for integrating threat analysis into risk decision making.
- ATAC focuses on how adversaries select technology and implement attacks.



Schedule

- Feb 2013-May 2014
- Develop ATAC process (Oct 2013)
- Case study (Dec 2013)
- Onsite process review (Feb 2014)
- Final report (Mar 2014)

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- **Partners:** Dominion

Advancing the State of the Art (SOA)

- Hackers have project managers, too
  - Have to do work to get paid (no more script kiddies)
  - Requires organized work flow
  - Use ATAC Life Cycle and Functional Security Matrix (FSM) to understand how adversary works
- ATAC Life Cycle
  - Based on Lockheed Martin Cyber Kill Chain
  - Defines life cycle and work flow of attacks (DIME)
  - Built on Attack Surface Analysis (ASA)
- ATAC is tailored to group of adversaries and their capabilities
- Threat information that can be applied to create attack surface analysis to recommended or specific configurations
- Characterization of whole classes of adversaries

Challenges to Success

- **Why isn't threat intelligence actionable?**
  - Have sufficient quantity AND quality of open-source threat intelligence
  - Defenders don't know how to consume threat intelligence making actionable
  - Needed to define threat relationships define a way to analyze
- **History of threat intelligence matters**
  - National Security Risk = f(Threat, Vulnerability, Consequence)
    - Threat intelligence traditionally used by national security groups
    - Threat = f(Capabilities, Opportunity, Intent)
  - Operational Risk = f(Probability, Impact)
    - Threat not a factor in this equation
    - How do we use threat intelligence if it's not in the risk equation? → ATAC
- **Conflicting impact assessments in existing threat feeds**
  - Operational or business – What happens if breached
    - Determined and prioritized by organization, not adversary
  - Technical – What attackers can do if attack against target succeeds
    - Describes technical gains by adversary (STRIDE – Spoofing Tampering, Repudiation, Information Disclosure, Denial of Service and Elevation of privilege)

Progress to Date

Major Accomplishments

- ATAC Life Cycle
- Simple vs. Complex Threat Analysis
- Forecasting Threat Technology (2 year review, ICS-CERT advisories)
- Predictive Attack Path Analysis
- Attack Style Characterization (Red October vs. Night Dragon)

Functional Security Layer	Functional Baseline of Target	Attack Path Model		
		Protocol	Services	Ports
UR&R				
Network	TCP/IP			
Firmware				
Operating System	Microsoft Windows	TCP, UDP	RPC over HTTP	80
Virtualization				
Applications	Windows Explorer	TCP, UDP	HTTP	80
Cloud, hosted, or vendor services				
Custom code				
Data & Data Stores				

Collaboration/Technology Transfer

- **Plans to transfer to end user:**
  - Develop training and documentation to support implementation
  - Build defensive and detection controls catalog
  - Produce case studies that demonstrate how to use ReACT
- **Plans to gain industry acceptance:**
  - ATAC for Vendors
    - ASA of RENDER configurations
    - What attack paths and techniques are most likely to be used against your software?
  - ATAC for Asset Owners
    - ASA of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and vendor products
    - How does your attack surface change when product ‘X’ is added to your ICS environment?
    - What can be done to minimize the cyber security risk product ‘X’?

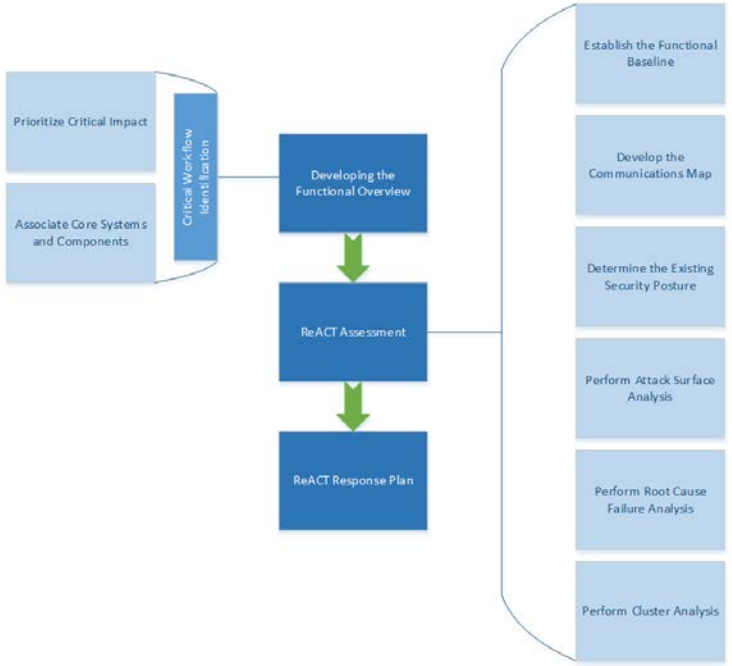
Next Steps for ATAC

- **Attack Surface Analysis**
  - Default configuration (OEM and vendor software & equipment)
  - Customized configuration (asset owners)
- **Threat trending and complex ATAC analysis**
  - ICS-CERT advisories (targets, vulnerability discovery patterns)
  - Confirmed energy sector attack campaigns (APT, criminal)
- **Customer feedback loop**
  - Agile feedback process for all stakeholders
  - What works? What doesn't? If not, why not?
    - Secure code development & application implementation strategy(vendors)
    - Defensive & Detection Catalog (asset owners)
    - Attack Style Characterization (energy security community)
  - Process improvement→ next iteration of documentation, training, etc.

Summary: ReACT

Objective

- Provide an information schema, set of tools and analysis processes teams can use to relate technical cyber security data directly into risk management decision-making
- ReACT focuses on what defenders know and control – their environment and its attack surface.



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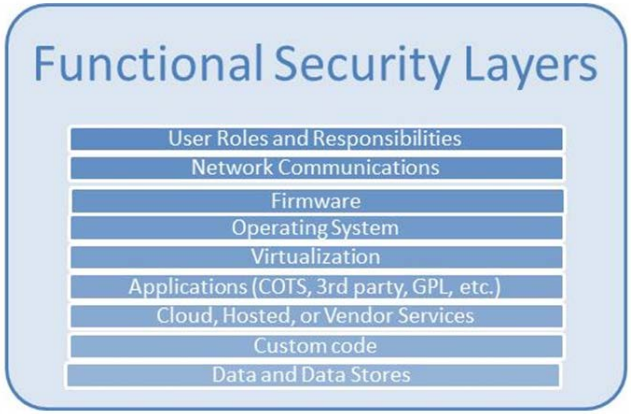
Advancing the State of the Art (SOA)

- Connects the dots → risk, cyber security, and technical threat
- Provides mechanism for:
  - Equivalent risk comparisons
  - Integrated threat response
  - Risk prioritization
- Provides repeatable, organized approach to understanding existing security posture
  - Helps identify gaps in existing security posture and why gaps exist
  - Potential ties into existing risk management strategies
  - Feeds seamlessly into work planning and prioritization
- Attack Surface Analysis
  - Modified Code security concept for use in asset owner environment
  - Maps technical data to risk factors (probability)

Progress to Date

- **Major Accomplishments**
  - Attack Surface Analysis (ASA)
  - Top 5 Energy Management targets
  - Functional Security Layers
  - Functional Baseline
  - Communications Map
  - Attack Surface Analysis



Functional Security Layer	Functional Baseline	Communications Map			Existing Security Posture		Gap Analysis
		Protocol	Services	Ports	Existing Defense Measures	Existing Detective Measures	
UR&R	Local accounts (user, service, machine)	N/A			Guest account disabled	Enhanced audit policy & logging	Missing 1 defensive measure
Network	TCP/IP				DMZ firewall	Enhanced audit policy & logging	No gaps
Firmware	N/A						
Operating System	Windows Server 2003 R2	TCP	RPC	135	Anti-virus	Enhanced audit policy & logging	Missing 1 defensive measure
Virtualization	N/A						
Applications	.Net framework	TCP	HTTP	80	Patches applied quarterly	App & security events monitored daily	Missing 1 detection measure
Cloud, hosted, or vendor services	N/A						
Custom code	CMS	TCP	HTTP	80	N/A	N/A	Missing 3 defensive measures
Data & Data Stores	N/A						

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    - ASA of RENDER configurations
    - Prioritize where to allocate code security resources?
    - Help develop or supplement secure deployment efforts?
  - ReACT for Asset Owners
    - ASA of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and vendor products
    - What other defensive and detection controls are required or could be used?

Next Steps for ReACT

- **Attack Surface Analysis (ASA)**
  - Default configuration (OEM and vendor software & equipment)
  - Customized configuration (asset owners)
- **Defensive & Detection (D&D) Catalog (Asset Owners)**
  - Defensive & detection techniques, controls and strategies specific to ASA
- **Secure Code Development & App Implementation Strategy**
  - Prioritize code security work based on ASA
  - Enhance secure software implementation strategy based on ASA
- **Customer feedback loop**
  - Agile feedback process for all stakeholders
  - What works? What doesn't? If not, why not?
  - Process improvement → next iteration of documentation, training, etc.