



COT Security Alert – Adobe Vulnerabilities

US-CERT, the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team, <http://www.us-cert.gov/>, has issued an alert concerning Javascript vulnerabilities in Adobe Reader and Acrobat which are used widely in state government. The vulnerabilities in certain versions of these applications could be exploited if a specially crafted PDF (Portable Document Format) file is opened by a user through their web browser or as an email attachment. A remote and unauthenticated attacker could then execute arbitrary code.

Adobe has released a Security Bulletin, AP SB09-06 found at <http://www.adobe.com/support/security/bulletins/apsb09-06.html> to address this vulnerability. Additional solutions that may be considered can be found at <http://www.us-cert.gov/cas/alerts/SA09-133B.html> and in other documents linked from the US-CERT home page.

As always, users are encouraged never to open email links or attachments which are unexpected or are from unknown senders.

NOTICE: COT is providing this information so that you are aware of the latest security threats, vulnerabilities, software patches, etc. You should consult with your network administrator or other technical resources to ensure that the appropriate actions for these alerts are followed. If you are a network administrator and need additional information, please call the Help Desk at 502.564.7576.

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