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Security Advisory WIBU-200521-02

Vulnerability Title

CodeMeter Runtime WebSockets API: Missing Origin Validation

Vulnerability description

This vulnerability allows an attacker to use the CodeMeter Runtime WebSockets API via a specifically crafted Java Script payload, which may allow alteration or creation of license files for CmActLicense using CmActLicense Firm Code (Firm Code 5,xxx,xxx) when combined with CVE-2020-14515.

- CVE: CVE-2020-14519
- CVSS v3.1 base score: 8.1
- CVSS v3.1 vector string: [AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:R/S:U/C:N/I:H/A:H](#)
- Vulnerability type: CWE-346

Vulnerability details

No authentication and origin validation for WebSockets connections that allow the following actions: read licenses information, read dongle information, read CodeMeter version and update licenses.

Affected products

Product name	Affected versions	Fixed versions
CodeMeter Runtime	All versions prior to 7.10a	CodeMeter Runtime 7.10a or newer

Mitigation for affected versions

- The risk can be reduced by using CodeMeter Runtime 6.90 or newer. With CodeMeter Runtime 6.90 or newer no Denial of Service and no manipulation of licenses is possible, so the CVSS v3.1 base score would be reduced from 8.1 to 0.0. However the origin validation for WebSockets will be implemented in CodeMeter Runtime 7.10a.
- If it is not possible to update the CodeMeter Runtime to version 6.90 or newer then it is possible to disable the CodeMeter Runtime WebSockets API via profiling entry 'CmWebSocketApi'. In this case, the direct activation of licenses with CodeMeter License Central WebDepot will not work.
However, the Software Activation Wizard using CodeMeter License Central Gateways and file-based activation in CodeMeter License Central WebDepot can still be used.

General security best practices can help to protect systems from local and network attacks.

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