Emerging Cyber Threats: Marine Industry

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# **Encryption Attacks – The Most Dynamic and Dangerous Threat**

- Sophisticated Attacks...Increasingly Dangerous
  - . The greatest threat across all industries
- Thorough, persistent, patient reconnaissance
- Customized malware to evade anti-virus products
- Legitimate applications used for malicious purposes
- · Credential stealing Trojans
- · Theft of sensitive information
- Deletion/encryption of backup data
- Encryption of core applications, networks
- Cloud environment not immune ...



## Encryption Attacks – Monetization Drives the Threat

- Development of Additional Monetization Tactics
  - High value targets
    - Managed service providers
    - Critical providers in the technology supply chain
    - Shipping and logistics
  - Exfiltration Extortion
    - Exfiltration of sensitive data prior to encryption
    - New trend may be to simply steal data without encryption
    - Preliminary posting of sensitive data to "private" ransom variant website to leverage ransom payment
    - If ransom not paid, posting of stolen data to public sites
  - Direct contact with employees, board members and customers

#### Social Engineering – Attacking the Human Firewall

- Email Account Compromises...Increasingly Stealthy
  - Sophisticated phishing attacks
  - Credential harvesting
- Attack Monetization...Increasingly Creative
  - Sensitive data sales
  - Secondary access to funds
    - Wire transfer redirectsDirect deposit redirects
    - W-2 image exploits
  - Attack vector for network intrusion



## Network Intrusions – Data & Property are Targets

- Payment Card Data ... Continues to be Easy Money
  - E-Commerce site hacks
  - POS systems
- Malicious Network Use ... Repositories & Revenue Sources
  - BotNet launching sites
  - Stolen records storage
  - Cryptojacking
- Intellectual Property Theft

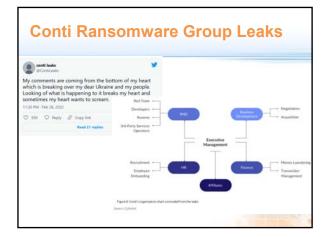


# The Dark Web A Criminal Marketplace

- A sophisticated cyber underground where criminals, working in syndicates or individually, sell their services including:
  - Online Forums: Criminals operate through a variety of online forums used to buy and/or sell products and services.
  - Bullet Proof Hosting: Criminals provide a vital infrastructure (including by operating dedicated servers and domains) to host malicious websites, malware, botnet command and control stations, VPNs and proxies.
  - Data Monetization: Criminals utilize the dark web for sensitive data sales.
  - Coding Services: Criminals customize malware, tailoring it to impact specific targets and improve its ability to bypass anti-fraud mechanisms.
  - Anti-Virus Checking Services: Criminals run malware through numerous anti-virus products to maximize infection rates.
  - Exploit Kits: Criminals utilize a variety of tools to identify and exploit vulnerabilities on victim systems.
  - Anonymization: Criminals employ means to communicate securely and to receive payment through untraceable systems (i.e. digital currencies).

### **Conti Ransomware Group Leaks**

- In February of 2022, leaked documents provided significant insight into the internal operations of Conti – one of most notorious ransomware groups
- Conti operates as a ransomware-as-a-service (RaaS) model ransomware variant
- A massive, structured organization with internal "departments":
  - Executive management
  - HR and recruiting
  - Research and development
  - Finance



#### The Regulatory Environment -A Reason for a Sense of Urgency

- State Data Breach Notification Statutes
- Self-funded operations budgets funded by assessments ...
  - All 50 states plus Washington D.C., Guam, Puerto Rico, and Virgin Islands
  - All cover electronic, 10 also cover paper;
  - Require notification of consumers regarding breaches of unencrypted personal information;
  - Notification obligation determined by residential location of consumer, not location of business
  - Personal information generally defined as first name or initial and last name, combined with one or more of the following data sets:
    - All states include SSN, DL or State ID card number, or financial account with means to access the account;
    - 19 add medical information; 18 add health insurance; 18 add biometric information; 18 add online credentials; etc.

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- State Data Breach Notification Statutes (continued)

  Timing of notification: 40 require "most expedient time possible," 18 also have outer time limit (ranging from 30 to 90 days);

  Notice content requirements: 19 have specific notice content requirements;
- · Regulatory notification: 35 require notification of state regulatory officials;
- State Data Privacy Legislation
   California Consumer Privacy Act
  - · Affords consumers private right of action arising from unauthorized disclosure of personal information
- State Information Security Standards

  Triggered by Unfair Trade Practice Acts
- Federal Sector Regulations

  HIPAA
- Industry requirements
   PCI DSS



#### **Most Troubling Trends**

- Targets: Increasingly high value (MSPs, supply chain, certain sectors/verticals), but entities in all locations, in all industries, and of all sizes
- Sophistication: Attacks increasingly sophisticated, substantial reconnaissance
- Encryption extortion: Deletion of backup data, encryption of core
- · Exfiltration extortion: Increasing ransom demands, theft of sensitive data
- · Social engineering: Increasingly difficult to detect
- Frequency: Entities are targeted daily by social engineering and brute force attacks
- · Success: Increasingly successful encryption attacks with decreasingly ability to negotiate ransom demand
- Regulatory Action: Increasingly aggressive state regulatory agencies

#### **High Value Targets**

- Maritime services companies have increasingly become targets
  - Perceived as having ability to pay large ransoms
  - Especially sensitive to downtime
  - Necessary possession of sensitive information
  - Increased reliance on technology = greater attack surface
- Supported by the security research data: Ransomware attacks experienced by shipping and logistics companies
  - tripled from 2019 to 2020. The world's four largest maritime shipping companies were all victims of ransomware attacks since 2017.
- Federal government recommendations for maritime cybersecurity

#### **Cyber Insurance and Response**

- The Cyber Insurance Market
- Notice Provisions
- Insuring Agreements



#### **Cyber Insurance and Response**

- Typical First-Party Coverages
  - Incident Consultation / Legal
  - Forensics
  - Extortion
  - Notification
  - Data and System Restoration
  - Crisis Management
  - Business Interruption and Contingent Business Interruption
  - Cyber Crime Coverage

#### **Cyber Insurance and Response**

- Typical Third-Party Coverages
  - Defense Expenses
  - Network Security Incident and Privacy Incident Liability
  - Media Incident Liability
  - Regulatory Costs
  - PCI Costs



#### **Cyber Insurance and Response**

- Incident Response Panels
  - Breach Coach
  - Forensics
  - Data Mining
  - Restoration
  - Notification
  - Crisis Management

