

VDE-2024-070: Phoenix Contact: Security Advisory for CHARX-SEC3xxx Charge controllers

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Current version: 1	Status: FINAL
CVSSv3.1 Base Score: 8.8	Severity: high
Original language:	Language: en-GB
Also referred to: VDE-2024-070, PCSA-2024/00022	

Summary

Improper file permission handling allows an authenticated low privileged user to gain root access.

General Recommendation

For general information and recommendations on security measures to protect network-enabled devices, refer to the application note: [Application Note Security](#)

Impact

This vulnerability allows the authenticated user "user-app" to gain root rights (privilege escalation).

Mitigation

Phoenix Contact recommends operating network-capable devices in closed networks or protected with a suitable firewall. For detailed information on our recommendations for measures to protect network-capable devices, please refer to General Recommendation.

Remediation

Phoenix Contact strongly recommends upgrading affected charge controllers to firmware version 1.7.0 or higher which fixes this vulnerability.

Product Description

CHARX control modular AC are charging controllers for mode 3 electric vehicle charging.

Product groups

Affected Products.

- Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3000
- Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3050
- Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3100
- Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3150

Fixed Products.

- Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3000
- Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3050
- Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3100
- Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3150

Vulnerabilities

CVE-2024-11497

Summary

An authenticated attacker can use this vulnerability to perform a privilege escalation to gain root access.

CWE: CWE-732: Incorrect Permission Assignment for Critical Resource

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Product status

Known affected

Product	CVSS-Vector	CVSS Base Score
Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3000 Order number: 1139022	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H	8.8
Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3050 Order number: 1139018	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H	8.8
Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3100 Order number: 1139012	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H	8.8
Firmware < 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3150 Order number: 1138965	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H	8.8

Fixed

Product
Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3000 Order number: 1139022 (Download)
Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3050 Order number: 1139018 (Download)
Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3100 Order number: 1139012 (Download)
Firmware 1.7.0 installed on CHARX SEC-3150 Order number: 1138965 (Download)

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Revision history

Version	Date of the revision	Summary of the revision
1	Tue Jan 14 12:00:00 CET 2025	initial revision

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