SWID Message and Attributes for PA-TNC

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Agenda

Overview

Alignment with SACM

Next steps

Overview

- Extension to NEA PA-TNC¹ to support the collection and exchange of software inventory data using ISO Software Identification (SWID)² tags
- SWID PCs are required to monitor all tag data stores
 - Natively stored
 - Generated
- Collection can be driven by the endpoint, a server, or an event
 - Creation
 - Deletion
 - Alteration

^{1.} https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/rfc5792/

^{2.} http://www.iso.org/iso/catalogue_detail.htm?csnumber=53670

Alignment with SACM Use Cases¹

- Define, publish, query, and retrieve security automation data
 - Provides very basic guidance for collectors
 - Provides a data model for representing software inventory data
- Endpoint identification and assessment planning
 - Software inventory data, expressed as SWID tags, supports endpoint discovery and characterization
- Endpoint posture attribute collection and evaluation
 - Informs the acquisition of collection and evaluation guidance
 - Collects and evaluates posture attribute values expressed as SWID tags
 - Supports change detection as well as other collection and evaluation triggers

Alignment with SACM Architecture¹

- PVs may subscribe to PCs and receive updates to SWID tag data stores
 - Change detection subscription
 - Inventory subscription
 - Event record subscription
 - Targeted subscription
 - Delayed subscription

Alignment with the SACM Information Model¹

 Provides a data model by which to express software inventory data which is represented in the IM as a software instance

```
elementId: 15
name: softwareInstance
dataType: subTemplateMultiList
status: current
description: Information about an instance of software
             installed on an endpoint. The following
             high-level digram describes the structure of
             softwareInstance information element.
            softwareInstance = (subTemplateMultiList, allof,
                softwareIdentifier,
                title,
                creator,
                softwareVersion,
                lastUpdated
```

Alignment with SACM Vulnerability Assessment Scenario¹

- Provides a mechanism by which NEA can be leveraged to collect software inventory data using SWID tags
 - Endpoint characterization
 - Guidance applicability
 - Vulnerability status
- Makes this information available to other SACM Components

Next steps

Update this I-D based on feedback

Request a call for adoption