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## SUMMARY

Integrity has recently updated its Oracle Database Listener Security Guide.

This paper describes the Oracle database listener, potential security weaknesses, known vulnerabilities, and recommendations to properly securing it.

## DETAILS

About Oracle Listener:

The Oracle Database Listener provides network connectivity to an Oracle database using Oracle's networking protocol SQL\*Net. The Database Listener, also referred to as the Oracle TNS Listener, can easily be exploited to obtain information regarding an Oracle database. In addition, numerous vulnerabilities exist, if not patched can be exploited to gain access to the database server via buffer overflows and other attacks. If the Listener is not properly secured, anyone can easily shutdown the Listener preventing access to the database. This paper

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overviews the security issues in the listener, reviews the known vulnerabilities, and provides recommendations for properly securing it.

About the Paper:

The paper outlines vulnerabilities in the Oracle Database Listener and provides recommendations for properly securing it. Providing minimal security for the Listener is simple and should be done for all Oracle installations – development, test and production.

The full paper can be downloaded from:

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