

## Re: Flat text based security issue

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Why don't you store the file outside the URL space where no browser can access it.

You should also find out who needs access to the file. Lock it down so that only the identity has access.

To do that turn on auditing and see under what identity Oracle (or the third-party tool) accesses the file:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/treeview/default.asp?url=/technet/prodtechnol/windows2000serv/deploy/confeat/13w2kadc.asp>

Hope this helps.

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> Hello all,

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> I have a third party site built for my company. With this  
> is a third party program that communicates via ODBC to our  
> Oracle dB. Thus data passes back and forth. I have my  
> IIS server out in our DMZ where it belongs. But I had to  
> shut it down to work on this one issue.

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> I have a flat text file that contains some settings for  
> the Oracle connectivity. In this file contains the ID and  
> Password for our production Oracle server. I can't  
> believe this company wrote that without any encryption.  
> Well alas, the business unit wants it working. Yet they  
> are giving me time to work out my security woes. Can  
> anyone assist me with any ideas? I have tried obscurity  
> but that does not work. I changed the file name and put  
> it in another folder. But if you view the source of the  
> website it will give you that path no matter what.

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> Again any help is greatly appreciated!  
> Thanks in advance,  
> Tim

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