

Re: A Very Dangerous Worm in Windows Metafile Images (WMF)

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Pooh Bear wrote...

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- > Winfield Hill wrote:
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- >> Most of us don't visit malicious web pages.
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- > It's easy to redirect you there.

Right, but I can be fairly confident NSC and Linear Technology aren't going to do that. And I won't be visiting Porn-R-U or Internet-Gambling-Winner-Now, etc.

- >> And hopefully
- >> by now most of us have our email program set not to display
- >> email links or images. Wait, I don't know, is that feature
- >> available yet in Microsoft's Outlook and Outlook Express?
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- > I've just been looking and can't find anything relevant to
- > turn on/off.

That could mean you don't have it. Mozilla's Thunderbird email program has its shields up by default, which is easily seen as your email displays with empty boxes where images are intended, along with a "show images" button, which you can activate once you're completely confident that specific email is from a safe source. The next email you examine once again has block images.

- >> Hmm, wait, what about web-based email programs, do they let
- >> you set a default to preview the contents of a spam email
- >> without showing the embedded images?
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- > Dunno mate. Good luck. Put a condom on your PC ! ;-)

Indeed.

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Thanks,

– Win

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