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TransUnion looks for automation, ease of use

TransUnion is a global leader in credit and information management. For more than 30 years, TransUnion has worked with businesses and consumers to gather, analyze and deliver the critical information needed to build strong economies throughout the world. TransUnion's dedicated associates support more than 50,000 customers on six continents and more than 500 million consumers worldwide.

According to Victor Hsiang, Manager of the Security Architecture Group and has been with TransUnion for more than 13 years, the company has three key network and security operations challenges:

- Assessing the networks current state, managing and monitoring configuration changes.
- Meeting regulatory compliance requirements efficiently and cost-effectively.
- Identify and report security vulnerabilities and mitigating risks.

Traditionally, the work is performed manually. Although the Security Architecture Group has used management tools in the past, they were limited in capability and administrative intensive to maintain and did not meet all the needs of the organization. The group began to evaluate alternative solutions.

Evaluation leads TransUnion to choose Pari's Paritra

The multi-product evaluation proved that the Paritra Appliance Series from Pari exceeded competitors' products from a features perspective, provided a superior user interface as well as advanced audit and security reporting, and delivered overall flexibility and better ease of use. The company decided to deploy Paritra to provide a centralized view for security policy auditing and risk management, focusing on vulnerability assessment and Network Configuration Management (NCM).

Proactive reporting helps during audits, investigations

With its easy-to-use wizards for all configuration applications and reports, Paritra enables TransUnion to track any and all changes to network device configurations and policies and lets administrators create custom reports, depending on business or compliance needs.

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- Reduced time spent completing routine operational tasks.
- Simplified compliance by making information readily assessable.
- Helped TransUnion enforce best practices for security policies and reporting.

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configurations for changes. If a difference is discovered, it archives the new revision, flags it based on policy and reports on it at pre-defined intervals. "This capability greatly simplifies compliance and reduces time and money spent locating the information in question," said Hsiang.

Paritra improves visibility, eases compliance

Paritra helps TransUnion comply with corporate and regulatory guidelines. Pari's Network Administrator gathers information on every change that may or may not be in compliance with corporate mandates, and can act on the information in real time. It then offers advice for taking appropriate mitigation steps while preventing unauthorized changes from taking down critical systems. This information can be quickly supplied to compliance auditors upon request.

The Paritra solution has a unique advanced policy architecture for creating policies and complying with all security guidelines, such as those posed by the National Security Agency, SANS and others, as well as vendor specific security advisories, such as Cisco PSIRTs. It also aids in compliance with regulations like SOX, ISO17799 and HIPAA.

Automation cuts costs, improves risk mitigation

Through automation, Paritra has simplified many of the security administrator's tasks at TransUnion, reducing costs and improving overall network security. For example, one-click reporting helps the company track and fix network vulnerabilities and mitigate risk. "Previously, our reporting tools were not automated; vulnerability reporting was always a time-intensive manual process potentially prone to errors, because it involved an engineer interpreting the scope of the vulnerability and making a judgment call on the work around," said Hsiang. "Pari's Paritra appliances provide automated reports that describe manufacturers' device flaws, such as vulnerabilities or bugs discovered over time, along with information about how to fix them."

A safer more reliable network

Since deploying Paritra, TransUnion has benefited from simplified reporting, a flexible and clean intuitive user interface and unsurpassed technical support. The company has reduced downtime caused by unauthorized changes, as well. "Pari's products and services simplify network device configuration and monitoring and help you more easily enforce security policies," said Hsiang.



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