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El's Security Tool Proactively Detects and Remediates Cryptolocker

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.— Imagine if you tried to open a Word document on your computer only to find it's been encrypted by a virus that demands \$400 or else the file will be destroyed. The crypto virus coined, Cryptolocker, has been doing just that for months, taking over files and even infecting network shared drives.

Cryptolocker is a ransomware Trojan that targets computers running Microsoft Windows and has infected nearly 1.2 million PCs globally in 2015, costing an average of \$250,000 per incident. The malware typically propagates through infected email attachments, ultimately encrypting important files. These files are often times locked forever unless the victim pays the attackers a hefty ransom to unlock the files. But Jacksonville-based Enterprise Integration (EI), has developed a tool that can recognize, catch and stop this harmful virus' malware before it can infect network shares and do so quicker and more effectively than anti-virus software.

Cryptowatcher[™] is El's security tool that searches for and eliminates Cryptolocker. It can detect and remediate the harmful virus before it strikes. Once detected, Cryptowatcher[™] responds by locking the infected workstation, disabling the user account and proactively shutting down the device before it is able to do any damage. While other antivirus developers have yet to develop such a tool, Cryptowatcher[™] protects our clients when others don't.

El's Director of Security Operations and driver behind the tool suite, Mack Bhatia, said, "Given the proliferation of threat vectors to an organization's information technology infrastructure, the likelihood of impact, small or large, is very high. What matters is your incident response plan and specifically the tools you have within your incident response toolkit to limit the damage and reduce recovery time and cost. This is where El's suite of automation tools, including Cryptowatcher™, makes a difference for our Clients - providing us the ability to rapidly identify, contain, and eradicate the root cause and recover from the incident.

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