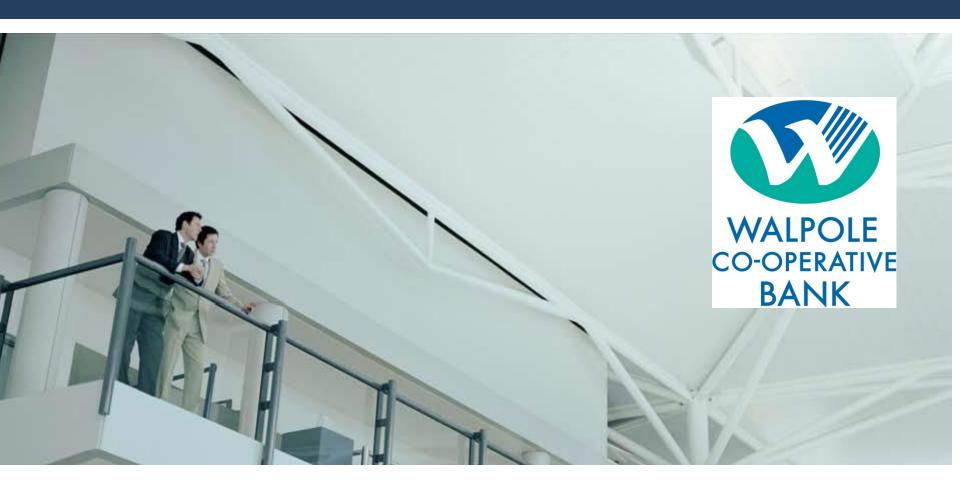
# Corporate Account Take Over



# Agenda



- What is Corporate Account Take Over
- How does it work?
- ☐ Types of Cyber-Threats and Countermeasures
- Current Trends
- Security Approach
- Tools/Resources/References
- Questions

# What is Corporate Account Take Over?



- 1. Form of Corporate Identity Theft
- 2. Business' online credentials are stolen by malware
- 3. Criminal Entities initiate fraudulent banking activity
- 4. The Corporate customers' credentials are compromised
- 5. Money is transferred via wire or ACH transactions
- 6. Little or no ability to recover the losses



### Who is Affected?



- 1. Potential Targets Include:
  - a. Municipalities, school districts, large non-profit organizations
  - b. Corporate businesses
  - c. Any customers that perform electronic transfers
- 2. Losses range from tens of thousands to millions of Dollars
- 3. These thefts have affected both large and small banks







### How does it work?



- 1. Criminals target victims by scams
- 2. Victim unknowingly installs software by clicking on a link or visiting an infected web site
- 3. Fraudsters begin monitoring the accounts
- 4. Victim logs on to their Online Banking system
- 5. Fraudsters Collect Login Credentials
- 6. Fraudsters wait for the right time and then depending on the controls in place they login after hours or, in the case where a token is used, they went until the code is entered and then hijack the session and return a message indicating Online Banking is temporarily unavailable

# Types of Cyber-Threats and Countermeasures



- 1. The threats to businesses today are many and varied. Malware can find its way onto computers in any number of ways.
  - a. Drive-by downloading
  - b. Email-phishing
  - c. Social Engineering
  - d. Hacking/Exploiting weaknesses
  - e. Virus and Worm infections



2. Many SMBs (the majority of your customer base) do not have the resources or expertise to protect their computer systems from the majority of these attacks.

### Malware

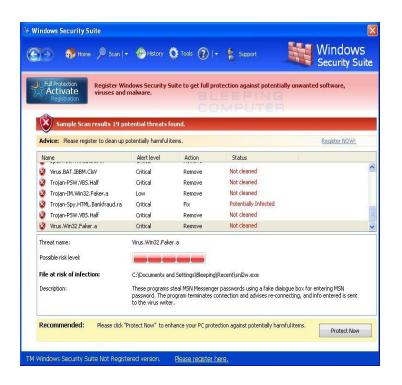


Short for *malicious software*, is software designed to infiltrate a computer system without the owner's informed consent

Malware includes computer viruses, worms, Trojan horses, spyware shonest adware, crime ware, most rootkits, Remote Access Trojans), rogue software, scareware and unwanted software

- Viruses: A computer program that can copy itself and infect a computer
- Spyware: A type of malware that is installed on computers that collects little bits of information at a time about users without t knowledge
- Rogue Software/Scareware: Form of malware that deceives or misleads users into paying for the fake or simulated removal of malware.





### E-mail



- Some experts feel e-mail is the biggest security threat of all
- The fastest, most-effective method of spreading malicious code to the largest number of users
- Also a large source of wasted technology resources
- Examples of corporate e-mail waste:
  - Electronic Greeting Cards
  - Chain Letters
  - Jokes and graphics
  - Spam and junk e-mail

### Hoaxes



- Hoaxes attempt to trick or defraud users
- A hoax could be malicious, instructing users to delete a file necessary to the operating system by claiming it is a virus

It could also be a scam that convinces users to send money

or personal information

Phishing attacks fall into the category





Criminally fraudulent process of attempting to acquire sensitive information (usernames, passwords, credit card information by, masquerading as a trustworthy entity in an electronic communication

### Commonly used means:

- Social Web sites
- Auction sites
- Online payment processors
- IT administrators





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From: Capital One [capitalone@email.capitalone.com]

john@acme.com

To: Cc:

Subject:





### Capital One® TowerNET Form and Treasury Optimizer Form are ready

#### Dear customer.

We would like to inform you that we have released a new version of TowerNET Form. This form is required to be completed by all TowerNET users. If you are a former customer of the North Fork bank, using Treasury Optimizer service for online banking, please use the same button to login and choose Treasury Optimizer form from a menu on the web-site.

Please use the "Log In" button below in order to access the Form.

Log In

#### Add us to your address book

Please add our address—shown in the "From" line above—to your electronic address book to make sure that important account messages don't get blocked by a SPAM filter.

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From: Bank of America Alert [onlinebanking@alert.bankofamerica.com]

To: john@acme.com

Cc:

Subject: Official information < message id: 0425824347>



### Online Banking



### Online Banking Alert

#### Message from Customer Service

To: john@acme.com

This email sent to: john@acme.com Date: Sat, 30 May 2009 13:46:52 -0300

We would like to inform you that we have released a new version of Bank of America Customer Form. This form is required to be completed by all Bank of America customers.

Please follow these steps:

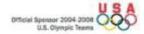
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http://www.bankofamerica.com/srv\_8955/customerservice/securedirectory/cform.do/cform.php?id=792516599321856258089302763345090421277286337107488264418179782.

2. Follow given instructions.

Because email is not a secure form of communication, please do not reply to this email. If you have any questions about your account or need assistance, please call the phone number on your statement or go to Contact Us at <a href="https://www.bankofamerica.com">www.bankofamerica.com</a>.

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To: John Doe

Cc:

Subject: Update your credit card information with PayPal



Dear John Doe,

Your credit card ending in 9595 will expire soon. To avoid any disruption to your PayPal service, please update your credit card expiration date by following these steps:

- 1. Log in to your PayPal account.
- 2. Go to the Profile subtab and click Credit Cards in the Financial Information column.
- 3. Choose the credit card that needs updating and click Edit.
- Enter the updat https://www.paypal.com/us/cgi-bin/

webscr?cmd=\_bc-signup

Or simply get the PayP Click to follow link approved almost instantly, and there's no annual fee. Apply today.

Sincerely, PayPal

Please do not reply to this email. This mailbox is not monitored and you will not receive a response. For assistance, <u>log in</u> to your PayPal account and click the Help link in the top right corner of any PayPal page.

To receive email notifications in plain text instead of HTML, update your preferences.



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Or simply get the PayP Click to follow link approved almost instantly, and there's no annual fee. Apply today.

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Please do not reply to this em assistance, <u>log in</u> to your Pay page.

To receive email notifications

This email is authentic.

It is addressed to you personally.

The sender appears to know the last 4 digits of your account number.

The links are obscured but hovering on the link shows a valid PayPal address.

PayPal Email ID PP031



Sent: Mon 6/1/2009 5:00 AM,

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United Parcel Service of America [onlineservices@lufthansa.com] From:

To: Cc:

Subject: Postal Tracking #UY6LG72236FH1Y7

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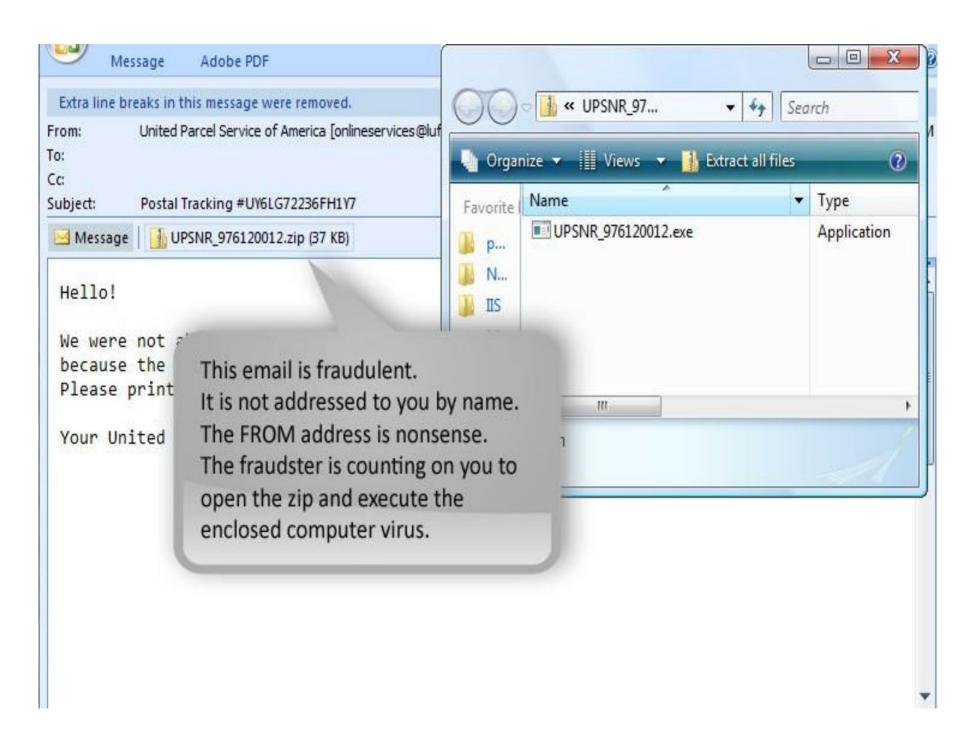
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We were not able to deliver postal package you sent on the 14th of March in time because the recipient's address is not correct.

Please print out the invoice copy attached and collect the package at our office.

Your United Parcel Service of America





# **Security Approach**



### Protect

- Education is Key Train employees
- Install and Maintain Real Time Anti-virus/Anti-spyware/Firewall software and keep it up to date
- Secure their computer networks
- Limit Administrative Rights
  - Do not allow employees to install any software without receiving approval
- Install and Maintain Spam Filters
- Surf the Internet carefully
- Install security updates to operating systems and all applications as they become available
- Block Pop-Ups
- Do not open attachments from e-mail
- Do not use public Internet access points
- Recommend dual control from separate devices

# **Security Approach**



### Detect

- Education is Key Train their employees
- Reconcile Accounts Daily
- Be on the alert for suspicious e-mails
- Install Anti-virus/Anti-spyware/Firewall software and keep it up to date
  - Perform a full scan at least once a month (weekly)
- Note any changes in the performance of your computer
  - Dramatic loss of speed, computer locks up, unexpected rebooting, unusual popups, etc.

# **Security Approach**



### Respond

- Education is Key Train their employees
  - Make sure that their employees know how and to whom to report suspicious activity to at the Company and the bank
- Contact the Bank:
  - If they suspect a Fraudulent Transaction
  - If they are trying to process an Online Wire or ACH Batch & receive a maintenance page
  - If they receive an email claiming to be from the Bank and it is requesting personal/company information.