



Cybersecurity For LMR Systems

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Agenda

- Why Cybersecurity for LMR Systems
- Attack Surface
 - Ransomware
 - Other Identified Risks
 - How Threat actors target Radio systems
- State and Federal Government Cyber Requirements
- What can be done
 - Customers
 - Vendors

Why Cybersecurity is Important for LMR

- No longer ‘walled gardens’ or air gapped environments
- Increase in Cyber attacks such as **Data breaches, DDoS** and **Ransomware**

19%

increase in cyberattacks impacting public safety organizations globally in 2025

66%

Of all cyber incidents were related to Radio Dispatch systems

22%

Increase in number of ransomware groups attacking public safety agencies in 2025

**2025 Public Safety Cyberattack Insights*

Threat Actors - Public Safety & LMR Systems



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- Russian based Highly organized Extortion syndicate
- Responsible for 50% of all compromises to Public Safety Systems
- Ransomware as a Service (RaaS)

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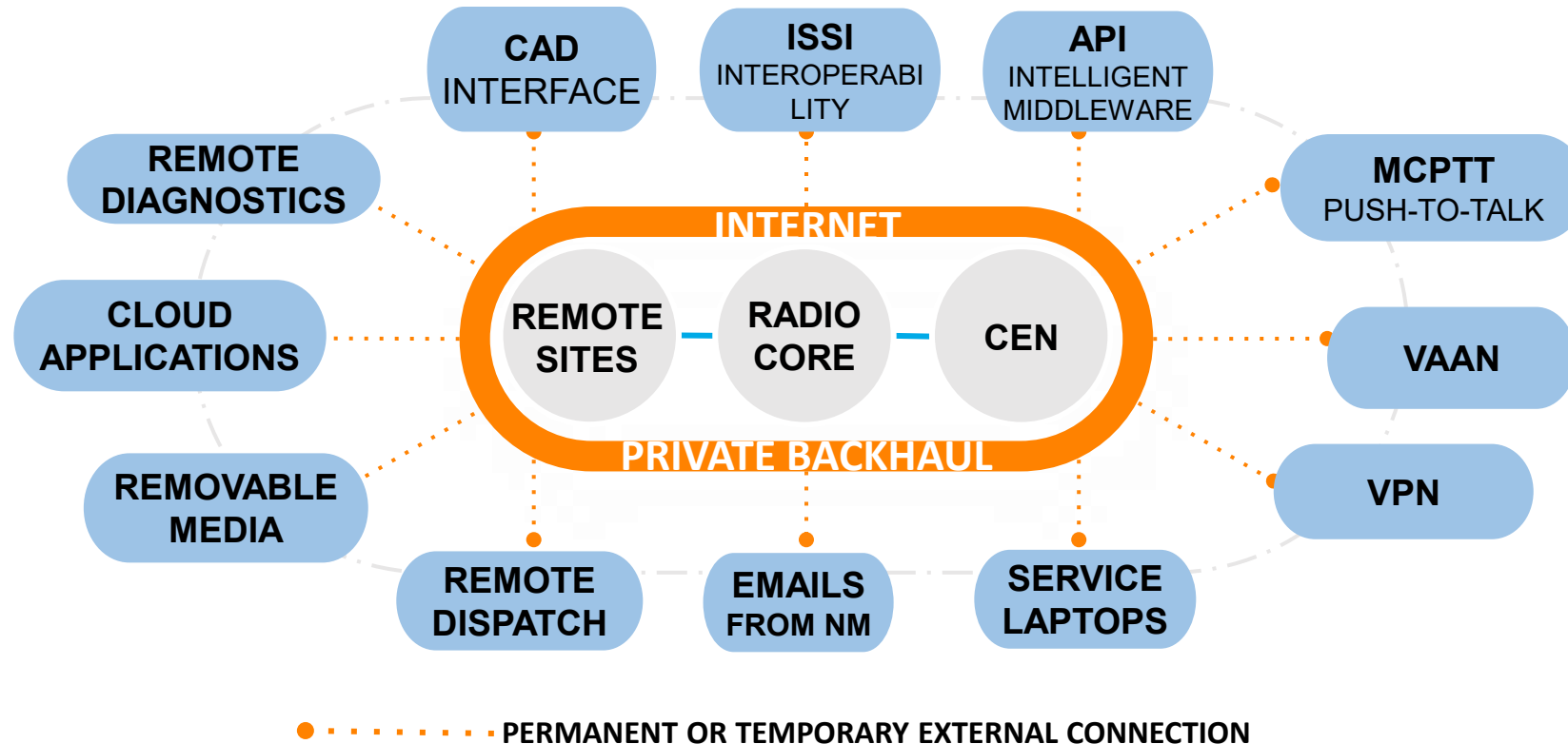
- Russian Hactivist group
- Disrupts services through DDoS
- Geo Politics driven

Volt Typhoon

- Origin China
- Targets Critical Infrastructure
- Use 'Living of the Land' techniques

LMR IS NOT A “CLOSED NETWORK”

LMR NETWORKS HAVE VULNERABILITIES SIMILAR TO THOSE FOUND IN IT NETWORKS

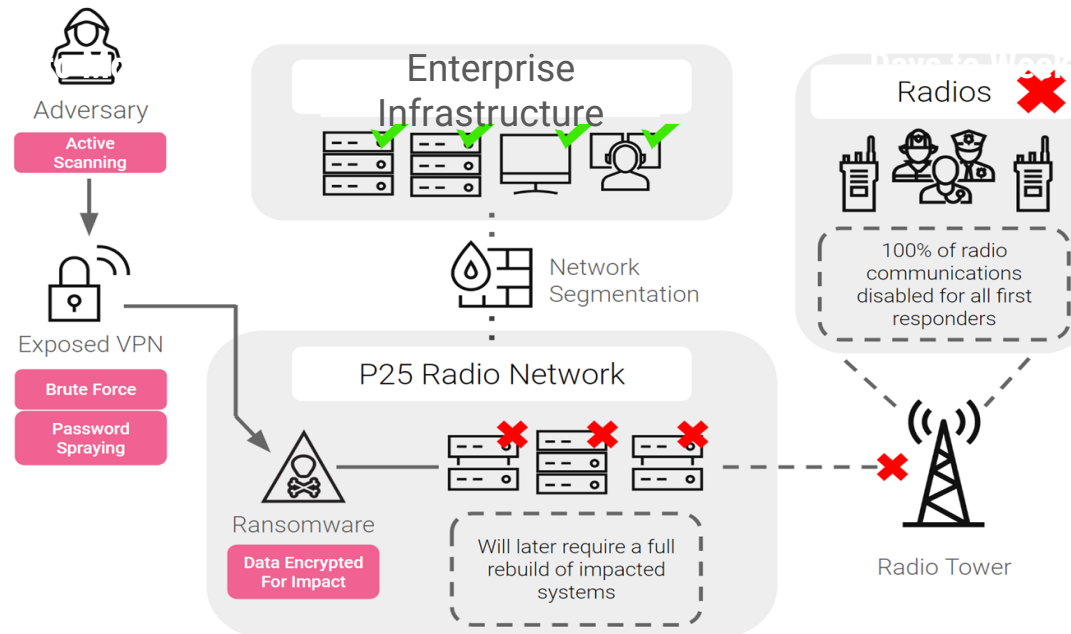
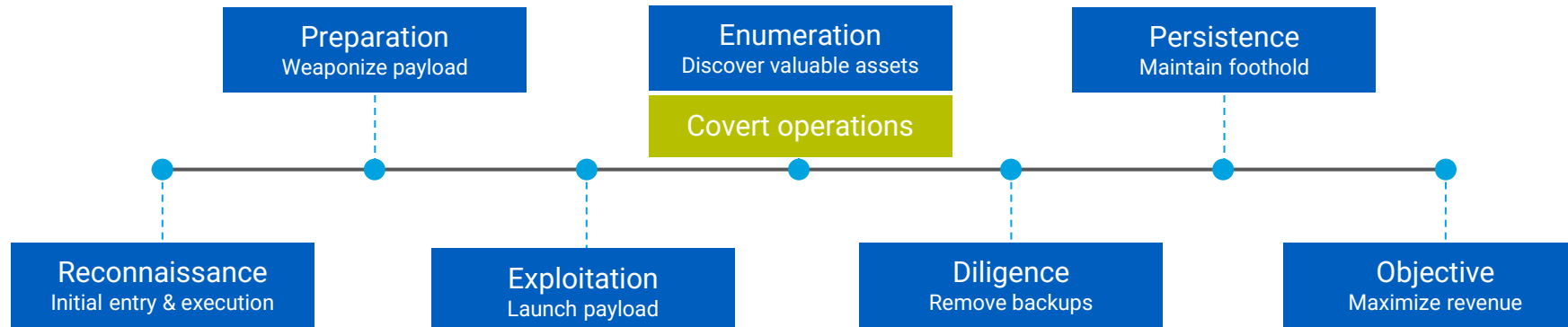


CISA-IDENTIFIED CYBER RISKS WITHIN LMR

- Interception or Eavesdropping
- Poor Cyber Hygiene
- Denial of Service
- Malicious applications, malware & Data Exfiltration
- Spear Phishing & social engineering

Attack Elements

Fundamental parts of every ransomware attack



State Government Cyber Frameworks & Requirements

ASD Information Security Manual (PSPF & E8)

| State | Framework/Policy | References |
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| VIC | VPDSF & VPDS Cloud Sec Guidance | |
| NSW | NSW Cyber Security Policy E8 ML1 | |
| QLD | Info & Cyber Sec Policy (IS18) | |
| NT | Nothing Specific. Refers to E8 | |
| WA | WA Gov Cyber Security Policy E8 +, NIST | |
| SA | SACSF SAPSF E8 ML1 | |
| TAS | TAS Cyber Security Policy TAS Gov Cloud Policy | |

Risk Based Approach

What should we do to protect LMR systems in Australia



- Governance – People, Process & Technology
- Refer to ACSC guidelines - Essential 8, ACSC ISM
- Implement the required controls
- Managing Risks
- Continuous Improvement.

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Defence In Depth Approach



Thank You