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1 Executive Summary

This report documents the assessment of the National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP) validation team of the evaluation of Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 solution provided by Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. It presents the evaluation results, their justifications, and the conformance results. This Validation Report is not an endorsement of the Target of Evaluation by any agency of the U.S. government, and no warranty is either expressed or implied.

The evaluation was performed by the Gossamer Security Solutions (Gossamer) Common Criteria Testing Laboratory (CCTL) in Catonsville, MD, United States of America, and was completed in Month Year. The information in this report is largely derived from the Evaluation Technical Report (ETR) and associated test reports, all written by Gossamer Security Solutions. The evaluation determined that the product is both Common Criteria Part 2 Extended and Part 3 Conformant, and meets the assurance requirements of EAL 1.

The Target of Evaluation (TOE) is the Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 family of products provided by Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 are hardware network devices that implement what is called a 'Storage Area Network' or 'SAN'. SANs provide physical connections between servers that are located in the environment and storage devices such as disk storage systems and tape libraries that are also located in the environment.

The Target of Evaluation (TOE) identified in this Validation Report has been evaluated at a NIAP approved Common Criteria Testing Laboratory using the Common Methodology for IT Security Evaluation (Version 3.1, Rev 4) for conformance to the Common Criteria for IT Security Evaluation (Version 3.1, Rev 4). This Validation Report applies only to the specific version of the TOE as evaluated. The evaluation has been conducted in accordance with the provisions of the NIAP Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme and the conclusions of the testing laboratory in the evaluation technical report are consistent with the evidence provided.

The validation team monitored the activities of the evaluation team, provided guidance on technical issues and evaluation processes, and reviewed the individual work units and successive versions of the ETR. The validation team found that the evaluation showed that the product satisfies all of the functional requirements and assurance requirements stated in the Security Target (ST). Therefore the validation team concludes that the testing laboratory's findings are accurate, the conclusions justified, and the conformance results are correct. The conclusions of the testing laboratory in the evaluation technical report are consistent with the evidence produced.

The Gossamer Security Solutions evaluation team concluded that the Common Criteria requirements for Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 1.

The technical information included in this report was obtained from the Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 Security Target and analysis performed by the Validation Team.

2 Identification

The CCEVS is a joint National Security Agency (NSA) and National Institute of Standards effort to establish commercial facilities to perform trusted product evaluations. Under this program, security evaluations are conducted by commercial testing laboratories called Common Criteria Testing Laboratories (CCTLs) using the Common Evaluation Methodology (CEM) for Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 1 through 4 in accordance with National Voluntary Laboratory Assessment Program (NVLAP) accreditation.

The NIAP Validation Body assigns Validators to monitor the CCTLs to ensure quality and consistency across evaluations. Developers of information technology products desiring a security evaluation contract with a CCTL and pay a fee for their product’s evaluation. Upon successful completion of the evaluation, the product is added to NIAP’s Validated Products List.

Table 1 provides information needed to completely identify the product, including:

- The Target of Evaluation (TOE): the fully qualified identifier of the product as evaluated.
- The Security Target (ST), describing the security features, claims, and assurances of the product.
- The conformance result of the evaluation.
- The Protection Profile to which the product is conformant.
- The organizations and individuals participating in the evaluation.

Table 1: Evaluation Identifiers

Item	Identifier
Evaluation Scheme	United States NIAP Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme
TOE:	Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 (Specific models identified in Section 3.1)
Protection Profile	Protection Profile for Network Devices, version 1.1, 8 June 2012 (NDPP) (including the optional SSH and TLS requirements) with Errata #3
ST:	Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 Security Target, Version 1.0, March, 2015
Evaluation Technical Report	Evaluation Technical Report for Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3, Version 1.1, March 18, 2015
CC Version	Common Criteria for Information Technology Security Evaluation, Version 3.1, rev 4
Conformance Result	CC Part 2 extended, CC Part 3 conformant
Sponsor	Brocade Communications Systems, Inc.
Developer	Brocade Communications Systems, Inc.
Common Criteria Testing Lab (CCTL)	Gossamer Security Solutions, Inc.

Item	Identifier
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3 Architectural Information

Note: The following architectural description is based on the description presented in the Security Target.

The Target of Evaluation (TOE) is the Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3. The various models of the TOE identified below differ in performance, form factor and number of ports, but all run the same FabricOS version 7.3.0a1 software. The TOE is available in two form factors:

1. a rack-mount Director chassis with a variable number of blades, and
2. a self-contained switch appliance device.

Director models are composed of blades of several types. A ‘director blade model’ is a control blade (CP8), a core switch blade (CR8 or CR4S-8, CR16-4, CR16-8), and port blades (FC8-16, FC8-32, FC8-48, FC8-64, FC16-32, FC16-48) or application blades (FX8-24). Control blades contain the control plane for the chassis. A core switch blade contains the ASICs for switching between port blades. A port blade supports various numbers of ports and speeds. Application blades provide additional capabilities such as FC over Ethernet. The DCX, DCX-4S, DCX 8510-4 and DCX 8510-8 require at least one control blade and one core blade to make the director operational.

Brocade Directors and Switches are hardware appliances that implement what is called a “Storage Area Network” or “SAN”. SANs provide physical connections between machines in the environment containing a type of network card called a Host Bus Adapter (HBA) that are located in the environment and storage devices such as disk storage systems and tape libraries that are also located in the environment. The network connection between the storage devices in the environment, the TOE, and HBAs in the environment use high-speed network hardware. SANs are optimized to transfer large blocks of data between HBAs and storage devices. SANs can be used to replace or supplement server-attached storage solutions, for example.

HBAs communicate with the TOE using Fibre Channel (FC) or FC over IP (FCIP) protocols. Storage devices in turn are physically connected to the TOE using FC/FCIP interfaces. When more than one instance of the TOE is interconnected (i.e. installed and configured to work together), they are referred to collectively as a “SAN fabric”. A zone is a specified group of fabric-connected devices (called zone members) that have access to one another.

3.1 TOE Evaluated Platforms

The evaluated configuration consists of the Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches operating with FabricOS version 7.3, including the following series and models:

- Director Blade Models: FC8-16, FC8-32, FC8-48, FC8-64, FC16-32, FC16-48, CP8, CR8, CR4S-8, CR16-4, CR16-8, FX8-24
- Director Models: DCX, DCX-4S, DCX 8510-4, DCX 8510-8
- Switch Appliance Models: 300, 6510, 6520, 7800, 7840.

3.2 TOE Architecture

The TOE provides the ability to centralize the location of storage devices in a network in the environment. Instead of attaching disks or tapes to individual hosts in the environment, or for example attaching a disk or tape directly to the network, storage devices can be physically attached to the TOE, which can then be physically attached to host bus adapters in the environment. Host bus adapters that are connected to the TOE can then read from and write to storage devices that are attached to the TOE according to TOE configuration. Storage devices in the environment appear to the operating system running on the machine that the host bus adapter is installed in as local (i.e. directly-attached) devices.

More than one host bus adapter can share one or more storage devices that are attached to the TOE according to TOE configuration. Scalability is achieved by interconnecting multiple instances of TOE directors and switches to form a fabric that supports different numbers of host bus adapters and storage devices.

3.3 Physical Boundaries

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4 Security Policy

This section summarizes the security functionality of the TOE:

1. Security audit
2. Cryptographic support
3. User data protection
4. Identification and authentication
5. Security Management
6. Protection of the TSF
7. TOE access
8. Trusted path/channels

4.1 Security audit

The TOE generates audit events for numerous activities including policy enforcement, system management and authentication. A syslog server in the environment is relied on to store audit records generated by the TOE. The TOE generates a complete audit record including the IP address of the TOE, the event details, and the time the event occurred. The time stamp is provided by the TOE appliance hardware. When the syslog server writes the audit record to the audit trail, it applies its own time stamp, placing the entire TOE-generated syslog protocol message MSG contents into an encapsulating syslog record.

4.2 Cryptographic support

The TOE contains FIPS-certified cryptographic implementations that provide key management, random bit generation, encryption/decryption, digital signature and secure hashing and key-hashing features in support of higher level cryptographic protocols including SSH and TLS.

4.3 User data protection

While implementing SAN and HBA protocols, the TOE is carefully designed to ensure that it doesn't inadvertently release or leak residual data. When the TOE allocates a new buffer for either an incoming or outgoing a network packet, the new packet data will be used to overwrite any previous data in the buffer. If an allocated buffer exceeds the size of the packet, and additional space will be overwritten (padded) with zeros before the packet is forwarded (either to an external network of HBA or written to a storage device).

4.4 Identification and authentication

The TOE authenticates administrative users. In order for an administrative user to access the TOE, a user account including a user name and password must be created for the user, and an administrative role must be assigned. Either the TOE performs the validation of the login credentials or the information is passed to a RADIUS or LDAP Server to perform the validation and the TOE enforces the decision. The administrator can configure the order in which the external authentication provider and the local credentials are checked.

4.5 Security management

The TOE provides both serial terminal- and Ethernet network-based management interfaces. Each of the three types of interfaces provides equivalent management functionality. The TOE provides administrative interfaces to configure hard zoning, as well as to set and reset administrator passwords. By default, host bus adapters do not have access to storage devices.

4.6 Protection of the TSF

The TOE implements a number of features design to protect itself to ensure the reliability and integrity of its security features.

It protects particularly sensitive data such as stored passwords and cryptographic keys so that they are not accessible even by an administrator. It also provides its own timing mechanism to ensure that reliable time information is available (e.g., for log accountability).

Note that the TOE is a single appliance, and as such, no intra-TOE communication is subject to any risks that may require special protection (e.g., cryptographic mechanisms).

The TOE includes functions to perform self-tests so that it might detect when it is failing. It also includes mechanisms (i.e., verification of the digital signature of each new image) so that the TOE itself can be updated while ensuring that the updates will not introduce malicious or other unexpected changes in the TOE.

4.7 TOE access

The TOE can be configured to display a message of the day banner when an administrator establishes an interactive session and subsequently will enforce an administrator-defined inactivity timeout value after which the inactive session (local or remote) will be terminated.

4.8 Trusted path/channels

The TOE enforces a trusted path between the TOE administrators and the TOE using SSH and HTTPS connections for Ethernet connections from the Administrator terminal to the TOE. The TOE encrypts commands sent from terminal applications by administrators using SSH for the command line interface and HTTPS for the Advanced Web Tools GUI interface.

5 Assumptions

The Security Problem Definition, including the assumptions, may be found in the *Protection Profile for Network Devices*, version 1.1, 8 June 2012 (NDPP). That information has not been reproduced here and the NDPP should be consulted if there is interest in that material.

6 Documentation

The following documents were available with the TOE for evaluation:

- Brocade – Fabric OS FIPS and Common Criteria Configuration Guide Supporting Fabric OS 7.3.0 for FIPS and 7.3.0a1 for Common Criteria, Publication #53-1003145-02, 13 February 2015
- Brocade – FabricOS Administrator’s Guide Supporting Fabric OS v7.3.0 – Publication #53-1003130-01, 13 October 2014
- Brocade – FabricOS Command Reference Supporting Fabric OS v7.3.0 – Publication #53-1003131-01, 27 June 2014
- Brocade – FabricOS Message Reference Supporting Fabric OS 7.3.0 – Publication #53-1003140-01, 27 June 2014

7 IT Product Testing

This section describes the testing efforts of the developer and the Evaluation Team. It is derived from information contained in the Evaluation Team Test Report for Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3, Version 1.1, 03/18/2015.

7.1 Developer Testing

No evidence of developer testing is required in the assurance activities for this product.

7.2 Evaluation Team Independent Testing

The evaluation team verified the product according a Common Criteria Certification document and ran the tests specified in the NDPP including the optional SSH and TLS tests.

8 Evaluated Configuration

The evaluated configuration consists of the Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches operating with FabricOS version 7.3, including the following series and models:

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- Director Models: DCX, DCX-4S, DCX 8510-4, DCX 8510-8

- Switch Appliance Models: 300, 6510, 6520, 7800, 7840.

To use the product in the evaluated configuration, the product must be configured as specified in the Common Criteria Certification document.

9 Results of the Evaluation

The results of the assurance requirements are generally described in this section and are presented in detail in the proprietary ETR. The reader of this document can assume that all EAL1 work units received a passing verdict.

A verdict for an assurance component is determined by the resulting verdicts assigned to the corresponding evaluator action elements. The evaluation was conducted based upon CC version 3.1 rev 4 and CEM version 3.1 rev 4. The evaluation determined the Product Name TOE to be Part 2 extended, and to meet the Part 3 Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL 1).

9.1 Evaluation of the Security Target (ASE)

The evaluation team applied each ASE CEM work unit. The ST evaluation ensured the ST contains a description of the environment in terms of policies and assumptions, a statement of security requirements claimed to be met by the Brocade Directors and Switches operating with FabricOS version 7.3 products that are consistent with the Common Criteria, and product security function descriptions that support the requirements.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.2 Evaluation of the Development (ADV)

The evaluation team applied each EAL 1 ADV CEM work unit. The evaluation team assessed the design documentation and found it adequate to aid in understanding how the TSF provides the security functions. The design documentation consists of a functional specification contained in the Security target and Guidance documents. Additionally the evaluator performed the assurance activities specified in the NDPP related to the examination of the information contained in the TSS.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.3 Evaluation of the Guidance Documents (AGD)

The evaluation team applied each EAL 1 AGD CEM work unit. The evaluation team ensured the adequacy of the user guidance in describing how to use the operational TOE. Additionally, the evaluation team ensured the adequacy of the administrator guidance in

describing how to securely administer the TOE. All of the guides were assessed during the design and testing phases of the evaluation to ensure they were complete.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.4 Evaluation of the Life Cycle Support Activities (ALC)

The evaluation team applied each EAL 1 ALC CEM work unit. The evaluation team found that the TOE was identified.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.5 Evaluation of the Test Documentation and the Test Activity (ATE)

The evaluation team applied each EAL 1 ATE CEM work unit. The evaluation team ran the set of tests specified by the assurance activities in the NDPP and recorded the results in a Test Report, summarized in the Assurance Activities Report.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.6 Vulnerability Assessment Activity (VAN)

The evaluation team applied each EAL 1 AVA CEM work unit. The evaluation team performed a public search for vulnerabilities and did not discover any public issues with the TOE.

The validator reviewed the work of the evaluation team, and found that sufficient evidence and justification was provided by the evaluation team to confirm that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the CEM, and that the conclusion reached by the evaluation team was justified.

9.7 Summary of Evaluation Results

The evaluation team's assessment of the evaluation evidence demonstrates that the claims in the ST are met. Additionally, the evaluation team's testing also demonstrated the accuracy of the claims in the ST.

The validation team's assessment of the evidence provided by the evaluation team is that it demonstrates that the evaluation team followed the procedures defined in the CEM, and correctly verified that the product meets the claims in the ST.

9.8 Clarifications of Scope

All evaluations (and all products) have limitations, as well as potential misconceptions that need clarifying. This text covers some of the more important limitations and clarifications of this evaluation. Note that:

1. As with any evaluation, this evaluation only shows that the evaluated configuration meets the security claims made, with a certain level of assurance (the assurance activities specified in the claimed PPs and performed by the evaluation team).
2. This evaluation covers only the specific device models and software version identified in this document, and not any earlier or later versions released or in process.
3. The evaluation of security functionality of the product was limited to the functionality specified in the claimed PP. Any additional security related functional capabilities of the product were not covered by this evaluation.
4. This evaluation did not specifically search for, nor attempt to exploit, vulnerabilities that were not “obvious” or vulnerabilities to objectives not claimed in the ST. The CEM defines an “obvious” vulnerability as one that is easily exploited with a minimum of understanding of the TOE, technical sophistication and resources.

10 Validator Comments/Recommendations

The validators did not have any specific additional comments or recommendations.

11 Annexes

Not applicable

12 Security Target

The Security Target is identified as *Brocade Communications Systems, Inc. Brocade Directors and Switches 7.3 Security Target, Version 1.0, March 18, 2015*.

13 Glossary

The following definitions are used throughout this document:

- **Common Criteria Testing Laboratory (CCTL).** An IT security evaluation facility accredited by the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) and approved by the CCEVS Validation Body to conduct Common Criteria-based evaluations.
- **Conformance.** The ability to demonstrate in an unambiguous way that a given implementation is correct with respect to the formal model.

- **Evaluation.** The assessment of an IT product against the Common Criteria using the Common Criteria Evaluation Methodology to determine whether or not the claims made are justified; or the assessment of a protection profile against the Common Criteria using the Common Evaluation Methodology to determine if the Profile is complete, consistent, technically sound and hence suitable for use as a statement of requirements for one or more TOEs that may be evaluated.
- **Evaluation Evidence.** Any tangible resource (information) required from the sponsor or developer by the evaluator to perform one or more evaluation activities.
- **Feature.** Part of a product that is either included with the product or can be ordered separately.
- **Target of Evaluation (TOE).** A group of IT products configured as an IT system, or an IT product, and associated documentation that is the subject of a security evaluation under the CC.
- **Validation.** The process carried out by the CCEVS Validation Body leading to the issue of a Common Criteria certificate.
- **Validation Body.** A governmental organization responsible for carrying out validation and for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the NIAP Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme.

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