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public\_key: Verify designated OCSP responder certificate signature

A designated OCSP responder (Case 2 in RFC 6960 §4.2.2.2) must hold a certificate issued directly by the CA. The existing check verified the issuer DN match and id-kp-OCSPSigning EKU but did not verify the CA's cryptographic signature on the responder certificate.

An attacker could forge a self-signed certificate with the CA's subject DN and OCSPSigning EKU, and it would be accepted as a valid designated responder.

Add public\_key:pkix\_verify/2 call to Case 2 in is\_authorized\_responder/3 to verify the responder certificate was actually signed by the CA.

Add designated\_responder test case covering both legitimate (CA-signed) and forged (self-signed) designated responder certificates.

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lib/public_key/src/pubkey_ocsp.erl
@@ -229,7 +229,9 @@ is_authorized_responder(CombinedResponderCert =
#cert{otp = ResponderCert},
229 229      %%      issue OCSP responses for that CA (id-kp-OCSPSigning)
230 230      fun() ->
231 231          public_key:pkix_is_issuer(ResponderCert, IssuerCert) andalso
232 -          designated_for_ocsp_signing(ResponderCert)
232 +          designated_for_ocsp_signing(ResponderCert) andalso
233 +          public_key:pkix_verify(CombinedResponderCert#cert.der,
234 +          get_public_key_rec(IssuerCert))
233 235      end,
234 236      Case3 =
235 237      %% a Trusted Responder whose public key is trusted by the requestor

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lib/public_key/test/pubkey_ocsp_SUITE.erl
@@ -105,7 +105,7 @@
105 105      %% Common Test interface functions -----
106 106      %%-----
107 107      all() ->
108 -      [ocsp_test].
108 +      [ocsp_test, designated_responder].
109 109
110 110      groups() ->
111 111      [].
@@ -211,3 +211,148 @@ ocsp_test(Config) when is_list(Config) ->
211 211          ?ISSUER_CERT,
212 212          IsTrustedReponderFun),
213 213      ok.
214 +
215 +      %%-----
216 +      designated_responder() ->
217 +      [{doc, "Test Case2 (designated responder) in is_authorized_responder/3. "
218 +      "Verifies that a legitimate designated responder cert signed by the CA "
219 +      "is accepted, and a forged self-signed cert with the same subject DN "

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220 +     "is rejected (GHSA-gxrm-pf64-99xm)."}].
221 + designated_responder(Config) when is_list(Config) ->
222 +     %% EC keys are used for fast key generation (vs RSA-2048).
223 +     %% is_authorized_responder/3 Case 2 only checks DN match,
224 +     %% OCSPSigning EKU, and pkix_verify – no chain validation.
225 +     CAKey = public_key:generate_key({namedCurve, ?'secp256r1'}),
226 +     CAPubKey = ec_public_key(CAKey),
227 +     CASubject = cn_subject(<<"Test CA">>),
228 +     CACertDer = public_key:pkix_sign(ca_tbs(CASubject, CAPubKey), CAKey),
229 +     CACert = public_key:pkix_decode_cert(CACertDer, otp),
230 +
231 +     %% Legitimate designated responder cert (signed by CA)
232 +     ResponderKey = public_key:generate_key({namedCurve, ?'secp256r1'}),
233 +     {ResponderCertDer, ResponderCert} =
234 +         sign_responder_cert(2, CASubject, ec_public_key(ResponderKey), CAKey),
235 +
236 +     %% Forged designated responder (self-signed, same subject DN)
237 +     ForgedKey = public_key:generate_key({namedCurve, ?'secp256r1'}),
238 +     {ForgedCertDer, ForgedCert} =
239 +         sign_responder_cert(9999, CASubject, ec_public_key(ForgedKey),
240 + ForgedKey),
241 +
242 +     %% Build OCSP responses and verify
243 +     Nonce = crypto:strong_rand_bytes(8),
244 +     NonceExt = <<4, 8, Nonce/binary>>,
245 +     IsNotTrustedFun = fun(_) -> false end,
246 +
247 +     %% Positive: legitimate designated responder accepted
248 +     LegitResponse = build_ocsp_response(CASubject, CAKey, NonceExt,
249 + ResponderKey),
250 +     {ok, [_], _} =
251 +         pubkey_ocsp:verify_response(
252 +             LegitResponse,
253 +             [#cert{otp = ResponderCert, der = ResponderCertDer}],
254 +             NonceExt, CACert, IsNotTrustedFun),
255 +
256 +     %% Negative: forged responder (same DN, not signed by CA) rejected
257 +     ForgedResponse = build_ocsp_response(CASubject, CAKey, NonceExt,
258 + ForgedKey),
259 +     {error, ocsp_responder_cert_not_found} =

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257 +     pubkey_ocsp:verify_response(
258 +         ForgedResponse,
259 +         [#cert{otp = ForgedCert, der = ForgedCertDer}],
260 +         NonceExt, CACert, IsNotTrustedFun),
261 +     ok.
262 +
263 + %%-----
264 + %% Helpers -----
265 + %%-----
266 +
267 + ec_public_key('#ECPrivateKey'{publicKey = PubKey}) ->
268 +     #'ECPoint'{point = PubKey}.
269 +
270 + cn_subject(CN) ->
271 +     {rdnSequence,
272 +      [[#'AttributeTypeAndValue'{
273 +          type = ?'id-at-commonName',
274 +          value = {utf8String, CN}}]]}.
275 +
276 + ec_subject_pubkey_info(PubKey) ->
277 +     #'OTPSubjectPublicKeyInfo'{
278 +         algorithm = #'PublicKeyAlgorithm'{
279 +             algorithm = ?'id-ecPublicKey',
280 +             parameters = {namedCurve, ?'secp256r1'}},
281 +         subjectPublicKey = PubKey}.
282 +
283 + ca_tbs(Subject, PubKey) ->
284 +     make_tbs(1, Subject, PubKey,
285 +             [#'Extension'{extnID = ?'id-ce-basicConstraints',
286 +                 critical = true,
287 +                 extnValue = #'BasicConstraints'{CA = true}},
288 +             #'Extension'{extnID = ?'id-ce-keyUsage',
289 +                 critical = false,
290 +                 extnValue = [keyCertSign, cRLSign]})}.
291 +
292 + ocsp_responder_tbs(Serial, Issuer, PubKey) ->
293 +     make_tbs(Serial, Issuer, PubKey,
294 +             [#'Extension'{extnID = ?'id-ce-basicConstraints',
295 +                 critical = false,
296 +                 extnValue = #'BasicConstraints'{CA = false}},

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297 +         #'Extension'{extnID = ?'id-ce-keyUsage',
298 +             critical = false,
299 +             extnValue = [digitalSignature]},
300 +         #'Extension'{extnID = ?'id-ce-extKeyUsage',
301 +             critical = false,
302 +             extnValue = [?'id-kp-OCSPSigning']}}).
303 +
304 + sign_responder_cert(Serial, Issuer, PubKey, SigningKey) ->
305 +     Der = public_key:pkix_sign(ocsp_responder_tbs(Serial, Issuer, PubKey),
306 +     SigningKey),
307 +     {Der, public_key:pkix_decode_cert(Der, otp)}.
308 +
309 + make_tbs(Serial, Subject, PubKey, Extensions) ->
310 +     #'OTPTBSCertificate'{
311 +         version = v3,
312 +         serialNumber = Serial,
313 +         signature = #'SignatureAlgorithm'{
314 +             algorithm = ?'ecdsa-with-SHA256',
315 +             parameters = asn1_NOVALUE},
316 +         issuer = Subject,
317 +         validity = #'Validity'{
318 +             notBefore = {utcTime, "240101000000Z"},
319 +             notAfter = {utcTime, "340101000000Z"}},
320 +         subject = Subject,
321 +         subjectPublicKeyInfo = ec_subject_pubkey_info(PubKey),
322 +         extensions = Extensions}.
323 +
324 + build_ocsp_response(IssuerName, IssuerKey, NonceExt, SignKey) ->
325 +     EncodedName = pubkey_cert_records:transform(IssuerName, encode),
326 +     IssuerNameHash = crypto:hash(sha, public_key:der_encode('Name',
327 +     EncodedName)),
328 +     IssuerKeyHash = crypto:hash(sha, IssuerKey#'ECPrivateKey'.publicKey),
329 +     ResponseData = #'ResponseData'{
330 +         version = v1,
331 +         responderID = {byName, EncodedName},
332 +         producedAt = "20250101000000Z",
333 +         responses =
334 +             [ #'SingleResponse'{

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335 +         algorithm = ?'id-sha1',
336 +         parameters = <<5,0>>},
337 +         issuerNameHash = IssuerNameHash,
338 +         issuerKeyHash = IssuerKeyHash,
339 +         serialNumber = 100},
340 +         certStatus = {good, 'NULL'},
341 +         thisUpdate = "20250101000000Z",
342 +         nextUpdate = asn1_NOVALUE,
343 +         singleExtensions = asn1_NOVALUE}],
344 +     responseExtensions =
345 +         [#'Extension'{
346 +             extnID = ?'id-pkix-ocsp-nonce',
347 +             critical = false,
348 +             extnValue = NonceExt}]},
349 +     ResponseDataDer = public_key:der_encode('ResponseData', ResponseData),
350 +     Signature = public_key:sign(ResponseDataDer, sha256, SignKey),
351 +     #'BasicOCSPResponse'{
352 +         tbsResponseData = ResponseData,
353 +         signatureAlgorithm =
354 +             #'AlgorithmIdentifier'{
355 +                 algorithm = ?'ecdsa-with-SHA256',
356 +                 parameters = asn1_NOVALUE},
357 +         signature = Signature,
358 +         certs = asn1_NOVALUE}.
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