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Subject: Nix/Lix: local privilege escalation in daemon process

Nix is a package manager and build system for Unix-like systems. Lix is a community-maintained fork of Nix. Both provide a daemon used in multi-user installations to perform privileged build and store operations.

The Nix and Lix projects are issuing a coordinated security advisory for vulnerabilities in their daemon implementations.

A buffer overflow in the daemon may allow a local attacker with access to the daemon interface to achieve arbitrary code execution as the daemon user (root in typical multi-user installations).

CVE assignment is pending.

Fixes are available, and users are strongly encouraged to upgrade.

For full details (affected versions, fixed releases, mitigations), see:

<https://discourse.nixos.org/t/security-advisory-local-privilege-escalation-in-lix-and-nix/77407>

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