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APPENDIX C - RISKY FILE TYPES

| File Extension | Description |
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| .ani | Windows animated cursor file security vulnerability. Possible buffer overflow in Windows |
| .bat | Batch files are often malicious |
| .bmp | Windows bitmap file security vulnerability. Possible buffer overflow in Windows |
| .cab | Possible malicious Microsoft cabinet file |
| .cer | Dangerous Security Certificate (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .chm | Complied help files are very dangerous in email |
| .cmd | Batch files are often malicious |
| .cnf | Speed Dials are very dangerous in email |
| .com | Executable DOS/Windows Programs are dangerous in email |
| .cpl | Control panel items are often used to hide viruses |
| .cur | Windows cursor file security vulnerability. Possible buffer overflow in Windows |
| .exe | Executable DOS/Windows programs are dangerous in email |
| .hlp | Windows file security vulnerability. Possible buffer overflow in Windows |
| .hta | HTML archives are very dangerous in email |
| .ico | Windows icon file security vulnerability. Possible buffer overflow in Windows |
| .ins | Windows Internet Settings are dangerous in email |
| .its | Dangerous Internet Document Set (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .job | Task Scheduler requests are dangerous in email |
| .jse* | JScript Scripts are dangerous in email |
| .lnk | Eudora .lnk security hole attack |
| .mad | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .maf | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .mag | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .mam | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .maq | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |

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| .mar | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
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| .mas | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .mat | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .mau | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .mav | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .maw | Microsoft Access Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .mda | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .mdz | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .mhtl | MHTML files can be used in an attack against Eudora |
| .pif | Shortcuts to MS-Dos programs are very dangerous in email |
| .prf | Dangerous Outlook Profile Settings (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .pst | Dangerous Office Data File (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .reg | Windows registry entries are very dangerous in email |
| .scf | Windows Explorer Commands are dangerous in email |
| .scr | Windows Screensavers are often used to hide viruses |
| .sct | Windows Script Components are dangerous in email |
| .shb | Shortcuts Into Documents are very dangerous in email |
| .shs | Shell Scrap Objects are very dangerous in email |
| .tmp | Dangerous Temporary File (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .vbe | Visual Basic Scripts are dangerous in email |
| .vbs | Visual Basic Scripts are dangerous in email |
| .vsmacros | Dangerous Visual Studio Macros (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .VSS | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .vst | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .vsw | Dangerous attachment type (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .wmf | Windows Metafile security vulnerability |
| .WS | Dangerous Windows Script (according to Microsoft Q883260) |
| .wsc | Windows Script Host files are dangerous in email |
| .wsf | Windows Script Host files are dangerous in email |
| .wsh | Windows Script Host files are dangerous in email |
| .xnk | Microsoft Exchange Shortcuts are dangerous in email |
| .zip | Compressed and packaged files used to distribute many virus/trojans |
| .txt.exe | Attachments using multiple extensions |
| filename.{1CE8B2C9-EAEF- | Format of Windows Class Identifiers (CLSID) |
| 43fc-8218-F092E4F94A47} | The CLSID will not usually be displayed to the user. Windows may run the program that is associated with the CLSID if the user attempts to open the file. |