Reported by Tomer Brisker to foreman-security:

I have discovered a stored XSS vulnerability in the host and hostgroup edit forms caused by smart class parameters and smart variables.

These forms display a popover that shows additional info about any of the parameters that can be overridden. The popover is rendered with HTML but contains values that can be input by a user - the parameter description, and in develop branch also the inherited value.

Effectively, any user who can edit parameters can input arbitrary HTML or JS into the description field or the default value, which will be executed once the popover is triggered by any other user.

This affects all versions of Foreman.

CVE identifier is CVE-2015-7518.

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Associated revisions

Revision 32468bce - 12/09/2015 08:54 AM - Tomer Brisker

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Revision f5576998 - 12/11/2015 01:22 PM - Tomer Brisker

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(cherry picked from commit 32468bce938067b1bbde1c2025771b5b83ce88ec)

History

#1 - 11/26/2015 05:52 AM - Dominic Cleal
- Subject changed from Smart class parameters/variables shown on host edit allows stored XSS in description to CVE-2015-7518 - Smart class parameters/variables shown on host edit allows stored XSS in description
  - Description updated

#2 - 11/26/2015 06:58 AM - The Foreman Bot
  - Status changed from New to Ready For Testing
  - Assignee set to Tomer Brisker
  - Pull request https://github.com/theforeman/foreman/pull/2936 added

#3 - 12/09/2015 09:01 AM - Anonymous
  - Status changed from Ready For Testing to Closed
  - % Done changed from 0 to 100

Applied in changeset 32468bce938067b1bbde1c2025771b5b83ce88ec.

#4 - 12/09/2015 10:21 AM - Dominic Cleal
  - Legacy Backlogs Release (now unused) set to 63

#5 - 12/09/2015 11:04 AM - Dominic Cleal
The patch fixes a few distinct XSS paths in the same information popups:

1. Source name in global parameters, e.g. the name of a host group (since #7163 in 1.7.0)
2. Description field in smart variables/class parameters (since 1.2 or earlier)
3. Matcher in smart variables/class parameter overrides (since 1.2 or earlier)
4. Inherited value in smart variables/class parameter overrides (1.11/develop only, not released)

#6 - 12/09/2015 11:15 AM - Dominic Cleal
  - Related to Feature #7163: In host's edit page, show the source for the value of puppet class parameters added

#7 - 01/21/2016 08:54 AM - Bryan Kearney
  - Bugzilla link set to 1297040

#8 - 06/22/2016 09:09 AM - Dominic Cleal
  - Related to Feature #15495: URL's in parameter description added