

Cyber Security **Description** Security researchers have spotted a new attack designed to fool users into thinking that airline tickets have been purchased with their credit cards. The attack, which was first spotted as an email from Northwest Airlines, and subsequently as a message from United Airlines, is a realistic-looking "receipt" that contains an attachment bearing the name Your.ETicket.zip or eTicket.zip. The idea is to fool the unwitting user into clicking on the attachment to get more information on who purchased it. The file doesn't contain a genuine electronic ticket, of course, and the credit card has not been charged. The hackers are hoping that an individual will be so affronted at being charged for an airline flight that they haven't booked that they will open the attachment without thinking. Users who click on the e-ticket file trigger the download of Troj/Agent-IPS, a data-stealing Trojan horse. The airline ticket disguise isn't new. A similar scam was detected early in December, 2008, and a broader scam took place in the middle of last year. **Analyst Notes** *Users that receive such messages should be skeptical and not attempt to open any attachments, rather contact your credit card company to ensure that no charges were placed.*