



Venus TimeBased App

AUDIT REPORT

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01. Introduction

This document includes the results of the audit performed by the Fairyproof team on the Venus Time-Based contracts project.

Audit Start Time:

February 20, 2024

Audit End Time:

March 4, 2024

Audited Source File's Address:

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/isolated-pools/pull/324>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/venus-protocol/pull/418>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/venus-protocol/pull/414>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/isolated-pools/pull/337>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/oracle/pull/128>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/venus-protocol/pull/417>

<https://github.com/VenusProtocol/venus-protocol/pull/410>

The goal of this audit is to review Venus's solidity implementation for its Time-Based contracts's function, study potential security vulnerabilities, its general design and architecture, and uncover bugs that could compromise the software in production.

We make observations on specific areas of the code that present concrete problems, as well as general observations that traverse the entire codebase horizontally, which could improve its quality as a whole.

This audit only applies to the specified code, software or any materials supplied by the Venus team for specified versions. Whenever the code, software, materials, settings, environment etc is changed, the comments of this audit will no longer apply.

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The review does not extend to the compiler layer, or any other areas beyond the programming language, or other programming aspects that could present security risks. If the audited source files are smart contract files, risks or issues introduced by using data feeds from offchain sources are not extended by this review either.

Given the size of the project, the findings detailed here are not to be considered exhaustive, and further testing and audit is recommended after the issues covered are fixed.

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— Methodology

The above files' code was studied in detail in order to acquire a clear impression of how the its specifications were implemented. The codebase was then subject to deep analysis and scrutiny, resulting in a series of observations. The problems and their potential solutions are discussed in this document and, whenever possible, we identify common sources for such problems and comment on them as well.

The Fairyproof auditing process follows a routine series of steps:

1. Code Review, Including:

- Project Diagnosis

Understanding the size, scope and functionality of your project's source code based on the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to Fairyproof.

- Manual Code Review

Reading your source code line-by-line to identify potential vulnerabilities.

- Specification Comparison

Determining whether your project's code successfully and efficiently accomplishes or executes its functions according to the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to Fairyproof.

2. Testing and Automated Analysis, Including:

- Test Coverage Analysis

Determining whether the test cases cover your code and how much of your code is exercised or executed when test cases are run.

- Symbolic Execution

Analyzing a program to determine the specific input that causes different parts of a program to execute its functions.

3. Best Practices Review

Reviewing the source code to improve maintainability, security, and control based on the latest established industry and academic practices, recommendations, and research.

— Structure of the document

This report contains a list of issues and comments on all the above source files. Each issue is assigned a severity level based on the potential impact of the issue and recommendations to fix it, if applicable. For ease of navigation, an index by topic and another by severity are both provided at the beginning of the report.

— Documentation

For this audit, we used the following source(s) of truth about how the token issuance function should work:

Website: <https://venus.io/>

Source Code:

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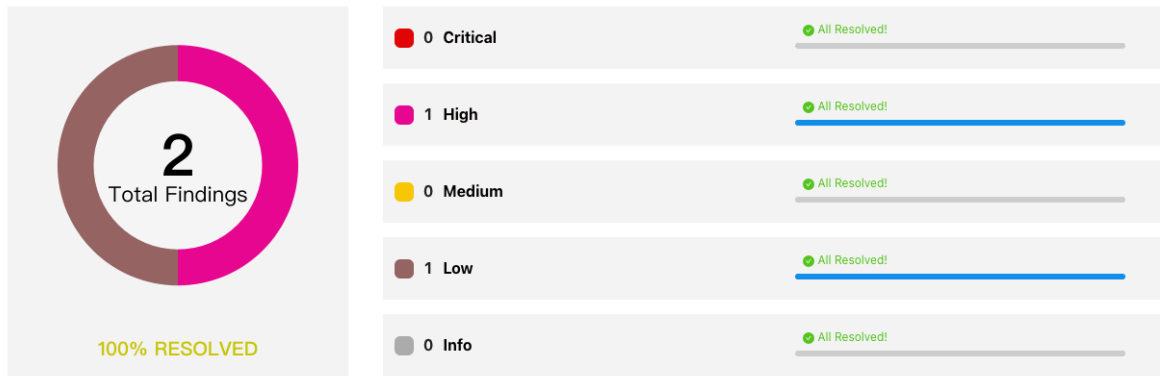
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These were considered the specification, and when discrepancies arose with the actual code behavior, we consulted with the Venus team or reported an issue.

— Comments from Auditor

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2024030400012018	Fairyproof Security Team	Feb 20, 2024 - Mar 4, 2024	Passed



Summary:

The Fairyproof security team used its auto analysis tools and manual work to audit the project. During the audit, one issue of high-severity and one issue of low-severity were uncovered. The Venus team fixed all the issues.

02. About Fairyproof

[Fairyproof](#) is a leading technology firm in the blockchain industry, providing consulting and security audits for organizations. Fairyproof has developed industry security standards for designing and deploying blockchain applications.

03. Introduction to Venus

Venus Protocol ("Venus") is an algorithmic-based money market system designed to bring a complete decentralized finance-based lending and credit system onto Binance Smart Chain.

The above description is quoted from relevant documents of Venus.

04. Major functions of audited code

The audited code mainly implements the following functions:

- Timestamp-based isolated lending contracts
- Time-based XVSVault

- Reducing reserves with available cash
- Adding Arbitrum sequencer downtime validation for the Chainlink oracle
- Seizing XVS rewards
- Dynamically setting addresses for XVS and XVSToken

05. Coverage of issues

The issues that the Fairyproof team covered when conducting the audit include but are not limited to the following ones:

- Access Control
- Admin Rights
- Arithmetic Precision
- Code Improvement
- Contract Upgrade/Migration
- Delete Trap
- Design Vulnerability
- DoS Attack
- EOA Call Trap
- Fake Deposit
- Function Visibility
- Gas Consumption
- Implementation Vulnerability
- Inappropriate Callback Function
- Injection Attack
- Integer Overflow/Underflow
- IsContract Trap
- Miner's Advantage
- Misc
- Price Manipulation
- Proxy selector clashing
- Pseudo Random Number
- Re-entrancy Attack
- Replay Attack
- Rollback Attack
- Shadow Variable
- Slot Conflict

- Token Issuance
- Tx.origin Authentication
- Uninitialized Storage Pointer

06. Severity level reference

Every issue in this report was assigned a severity level from the following:

Critical severity issues need to be fixed as soon as possible.

High severity issues will probably bring problems and should be fixed.

Medium severity issues could potentially bring problems and should eventually be fixed.

Low severity issues are minor details and warnings that can remain unfixed but would be better fixed at some point in the future.

Informational is not an issue or risk but a suggestion for code improvement.

07. Major areas that need attention

Based on the provided source code the Fairyproof team focused on the possible issues and risks related to the following functions or areas.

- Function Implementation

We checked whether or not the functions were correctly implemented.

We found some issues, for more details please refer to [FP-1,FP-2] in "09. Issue description".

- Access Control

We checked each of the functions that could modify a state, especially those functions that could only be accessed by owner or administrator

We didn't find issues or risks in these functions or areas at the time of writing.

- Token Issuance & Transfer

We examined token issuance and transfers for situations that could harm the interests of holders.
We didn't find issues or risks in these functions or areas at the time of writing.

- State Update

We checked some key state variables which should only be set at initialization.
We didn't find issues or risks in these functions or areas at the time of writing.

- Asset Security

We checked whether or not all the functions that transfer assets were safely handled.
We didn't find issues or risks in these functions or areas at the time of writing.

- Miscellaneous

We checked the code for optimization and robustness.
We didn't find issues or risks in these functions or areas at the time of writing.

08. List of issues by severity

Index	Title	Issue/Risk	Severity	Status
FP-1	Incorrect Function Implementation	Implementation Vulnerability	High	✓ Fixed
FP-2	Incorrect __gap Length	Code Improvement	Low	✓ Fixed

09. Issue descriptions

[FP-1] Incorrect Function Implementation

Implementation Vulnerability

High

✓ Fixed

Issue/Risk: Implementation Vulnerability

Description:

In `PoolLens.sol`, when calling certain functions in `rewardsDistributor` to obtain corresponding `borrowState` and `SupplyState`, the `rewardTokenBorrowState` and `rewardTokenSupplyState` functions would be called. However these two functions were generated by compiling the variables with the same names and they read the values of the `rewardTokenSupplyState` and `rewardTokenBorrowSpeeds` state variables. These two state variables were closely associated with the block height (`block.number`).

However, based on our understanding of the purpose of the modification, the real implementation might be to call either `rewardTokenSupplyState` or `rewardTokenSupplyStateTimeBased` based on `isTimeBased`.

Recommendation:

Consider calling functions based on `timeBased`'s value.

Update/Status:

The Venus team has fixed the issue.

[FP-2] Incorrect `__gap` Length

Code Improvement

Low

✓ Fixed

Issue/Risk: Code Improvement

Description:

In the `TimeManagerV5` contract, during our unit testing, it was discovered that `isTimeBased` and `isInitialized` share the same slot. Therefore, it would be more appropriate to define `__gap` as `uint256[47]`. Additionally, changing the order of the `__gap` definition might further affect the actual slot occupation. For example, placing `_getCurrentSlot` before `__gap` would cause it to share a slot with `isTimeBased` and `isInitialized`.

Recommendation:

Consider changing `__gap`'s length correctly to match the remaining slots.

Update/Status:

The Venus team has fixed the issue.

10. Recommendations to enhance the overall security

We list some recommendations in this section. They are not mandatory but will enhance the overall security of the system if they are adopted.

- N/A

11. Appendices

- N/A

11.2 External Functions Check Points

- N/A

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