Collaborative Research: A Secure Communication Framework with Verifiable Authenticity for Immutable Services in Industrial IoT Systems

Challenge:

- Verifiable authenticity, integrity, and uniformity for intra-plant communications
- •Distributed inter-plant immutable services

Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Storage Chain Local (a) Sensing Data (b) Control Message (c) Data Logs to Cloud (d) Control Message (e) Control Message (f) Plant A SCADA System (g) Plant N SCADA System (h) (h) (h) Field N-3 Control Message Control

Scientific Impact:

- Provide verifiable authenticity and immutable services for distributed industrial IoT (IIoT) systems.
- •Ensure correct operations of physical systems

Solution:

- •Efficient signature schemes for fast and online data signing and verification
- PKC-based fast device certificate authentication
- •Hierarchical and scalable blockchain protocols



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Broader Impact:

- Boost CPS security education
- Reshape the security architecture in IIoT design and advance its adoption in US critical infrastructure
- •A publicly available IIoT testbed for the community