SECURE · A FOUR-WEEK TRIAL

# Test Secure on one part of your network.

A trial on one approved part of your network, judged against what your team already knows about it.

The question a trial should answer is simple: **on one part of your own network, can your team trust the list of devices, see which known flaws really apply, and follow how an attacker could reach what matters?** Judge it against what you already know about that part of the network, not by the practice company network.

In the first week, choose that part of the network, approve it for a survey, and place a collector (Secure's listening software) where it can hear the traffic. Name the people who look after the devices there. Some of Secure's checks contact a device instead of only listening, which can disturb a running line, so they need signed permission; if the area includes equipment that controls physical processes, such as production or building systems, agree with the people who run it how it is watched today before anything is connected. Keep a copy of what your current asset list says.

In the second week, run a survey and work through the review list with them: confirm each device, leave it open, or send someone to check it. Compare the result with your old list and count the devices each one missed. Remember that Secure reports only what it could hear, so a device it missed may simply be out of earshot.

In the third week, go through the possible known flaws with the device owners and confirm or dismiss each one; a match is not proof that anyone can break in. Then walk through the modeled attack routes to your most important system, treating each step as a plan to review.

In the fourth week, run a second survey and compare the two. Then sit with the people who would approve a maintenance window like Saturday's and ask whether they would grant remote access on this list of devices, these possible flaws and this modeled route. Decide whether to expand, narrow, pause or stop, and write down why.

Four weeks is a suggestion; agree the scope and the people involved for your organization.