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BLACKWORM

Blackworm is a mass-mailing worm which degrades security software and destroys certain types of files. The worm is also known as: CME-24, Kasper.A, KillAV.GR, Grew.A, Nyxem.E, MyWife.d, Small.KI, Tearec.A, and Blackmal.E. Blackworm will destroy files on infected systems on the 3rd day of every month beginning February 3, 2006. Blackworm is detected and removed by up-to-date anti-virus software.

An overview of this worm can be found at <http://www.lurhq.com/blackworm.html>. If you do not have up-to-date anti-virus software installed on your system then you can use one of the following removal tools:

- <http://www.f-secure.com/tools/f-force.zip>
- <http://securityresponse.symantec.com/avcenter/venc/data/w32.blackma>