

Spear Phishing Attacks Targeting the Manufacturing Industry

Cybercriminals target law firms and legal departments for financial gain and to access confidential data. As the number of cyberattacks targeting our industry continues to increase, it is important to be aware of the latest threats.

The image shows a simulated email window with a dark blue header containing three colored dots (red, green, yellow). The email content is as follows:

From: orders@abcmanu.net
Subject: Purchase Order 002801242

Please see [attachment for Purchase Order 002801242](#). [confirm](#) receipt of this email.

Please confirm requested ship date can be met or advise earliest possible ship date.

Thanks,

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Four callout boxes provide additional context:

- Top right: "Do you recognize the sender?"
- Middle right: "Never open unexpected or unsolicited attachments."
- Bottom right (top): "Does this email follow typical procedures for a purchase order?"
- Bottom right (bottom): "Look out for grammar, spelling, or capitalization mistakes."

REMEMBER:

- 1 Don't interact with unsolicited hyperlinks and attachments
- 2 Scrutinize all email requests
- 3 Encrypt email and files
- 4 Always verify