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- Military contractor Booz Allen Hamilton confirmed it was the victim of an attack July 12, resulting in the posting of 90,000 military e-mail addresses stolen from a server, CNET reports. The alleged hackers, Anonymous, claimed they attacked agricultural firm Monsanto and would target oil companies. (See item [13](#))
- The nation's airports have suffered more than 25,000 security breaches since November 2001, according to information a House committee said it received from the Transportation Security Administration, CNN reports. (See item [21](#))

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Energy Sector

Current Electricity Sector Threat Alert Levels: Physical: LOW, Cyber: LOW
Scale: LOW, GUARDED, ELEVATED, HIGH, SEVERE [Source: ISAC for the Electricity Sector (ES-ISAC) - <http://www.esisac.com>]

1. *July 13, WLS 7 Chicago* – (Illinois) **ComEd: About 182,000 still without power.** ComEd crews in Chicago, Illinois, said they were working around the clock to get the power on for all customers who lost it due to the storm the week of July 11. About 182,000 people remained in the dark late in the morning of July 13, according to ComEd. Officials had said they had hoped to have 75 percent of their customers back

online the night of July 13, but the company reported late in the morning that it had reached that goal already, putting crews ahead of their expected schedule. ComEd said they were aiming for 90-percent restoration by July 14, but noted the rest of their customers might have to wait until the weekend until they have power. ComEd said it had brought in crews from as far away as Canada to repair power lines and damaged equipment. The company said every customer should have power back by July 16.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wls/story?section=news/local&id=8247452>

2. *July 13, Dow Jones* – (Montana) **Exxon beginning preliminary work to replace Montana pipeline.** Exxon Mobil Corp. said July 13 it is beginning to study how it will replace the pipeline that ruptured July 1 under the Yellowstone River in Montana, spilling 750 to 1,000 barrels of crude. A spokesman said in a statement that "in order to lessen the impact of the pipeline shutdown on the local economy," it has begun "preliminary work" for the replacement of the pipeline, which feeds Exxon's Billings, Montana refinery. Exxon is also working to meet the requirements of a U.S. Department of Transportation order before it can resume pipeline operations in the area. The order included using horizontal drilling techniques to bury the pipeline deeper under the riverbed. Although the cause of the rupture is still being investigated, officials suspect that flooding in the Yellowstone River may have eroded the riverbed and exposed the pipeline, which Exxon had determined was buried at a depth between 5 and 8 feet.

Source: <http://www.foxbusiness.com/markets/2011/07/13/exxon-beginning-preliminary-work-to-replace-montana-pipeline/>

3. *July 12, Ledger Independent* – (Kentucky) **Tanker rolls over, leaks flammable material.** A Flemingsburg, Kentucky, road was closed July 12 after a tanker, carrying flammable materials, drove off the road and overturned. A portion of Kentucky 111, also known as Hillsboro Road in Fleming County was shut down when a large tanker, hauling diesel and gasoline, wrecked, spilling the contents of its load onto the ground. According to officials, the tanker failed to negotiate a curve. The tanker then drove off the right shoulder and rolled multiple times, destroying the cab and damaging the trailer to the point that its contents began to leak. The fuel run-off impacted the ground of a nearby residence. A fence was also destroyed, Kentucky State Police said. Besides local officials, a hazardous materials squad from Maysville responded to control the fuel leak. The Environmental Protection Agency division located in Ashland was also notified and arrived to assess damage to the land surrounding the area. A trench was dug around the area to monitor the flow of the fuel as it leaked from an opening in the tanker.

Source: http://www.maysville-online.com/news/local/article_8bc6f38c-acda-11e0-a341-001cc4c002e0.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. *July 13, Associated Press* – (New York) **Firefighters battle stubborn blaze at Buffalo industrial lubricants plant; blasts heard inside.** Firefighters in Buffalo, New York, continued to battle a stubborn blaze late the morning of July 13 at a plant that manufactures industrial lubricants. Buffalo media outlets reported the fire started before 6 a.m. at the Niagara Lubricant Co. in the city's Black Rock neighborhood. Thick black smoke spewed from the 3-story structure several hours after the fire started. Several explosions were heard inside the building. Crews were ordered out of the building and were fighting the fire from outside late the morning of July 13. Fire officials called for help from a Buffalo Niagara International Airport foam truck, and told nearby residents to close their windows and doors. Niagara Lubricant's Web site said the nearly 90-year-old company makes and packages lubricating oils, greases, industrial oils, and tire care products. There are no reports of injuries or a possible cause of the fire.
Source: <http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/29c56719e37f44a79ea347ca10b6eda3/NY--Buffalo-Industrial-Fire/>
5. *July 13, Willoughby News-Herald* – (Ohio) **Chemical fire occurs at Clark Rubber in Mentor.** A Mentor, Ohio, business had to be evacuated July 12 because of a chemical fire. According to a Mentor Fire Department news release, firefighters were called to Clark Rubber, 8837 East Avenue, at 4:47 p.m. Upon arrival, rescue crews saw gray smoke coming from the building, which was evacuated. Because the fire was partially in a salt tank, firefighters used dry chemical extinguishers to put it out. The fire was contained to the tank and the duct area above the tank, and was declared under control at 5:03 p.m., the release said. The fire investigation unit determined the cause of the fire to be an equipment malfunction. Authorities have yet to determine the cost of the damage. Smoke detectors were present in the structure, but they did not work, the release stated. Crews from Concord Township, Grand River, Painesville, Willoughby, and Kirtland provided mutual aid. No injuries were reported.
Source: <http://news-herald.com/articles/2011/07/13/news/nh4244798.txt>
6. *July 12, Recycling Today* – (National) **EPA proposes safeguards for hazardous waste recycling.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed new safeguards for recycling hazardous materials to protect public health and the environment. The agency's proposal modifies the EPA's 2008 Definition of Solid Waste (DSW) rule, which revised hazardous waste regulations to encourage greater recycling. The EPA plan seeks to improve accountability and oversight of hazardous materials recycling, while allowing for flexibilities to promote economic and environmental benefits. The EPA seeks public comment on the proposal. Facilities that recycle onsite or within the same company under the reduced regulatory requirements in the proposal would be subject to enhanced storage and recordkeeping rules as compared to the 2008 rule. Companies that send hazardous materials offsite for recycling would have tailored storage standards, while being required to send materials to a permitted hazardous waste recycling facility. The proposed rule also requires all forms of hazardous waste recycling to meet requirements designed to ensure materials are legitimately recycled and not being disposed of illegally. EPA will accept comment on the proposal for 60 days after publication in the Federal Register.

Source: <http://www.recyclingtoday.com/epa-proposal-safeguards-hazwaste-recycling.aspx>

7. *July 12, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (National) **Oregon pesticide company agrees to pay \$54,000 for using outdated labeling on pesticide products.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) July 12, reached a \$54,080 settlement with Orcal, Inc., for numerous violations of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. The settlement follows an Oregon Department of Agriculture inspection of Orcal's Harrisburg, Oregon facility February 4, 2009. EPA's subsequent investigation found Orcal was using outdated labeling on at least two products. The outdated labeling included directions for use that did not match EPA accepted statements. On at least 52 separate occasions in 2008-2009, Orcal sold, and distributed Orcal Slug & Snail Bait, and Southern Ag Snail & Slug Bait with incorrect labeling. On September 29, 2009, EPA issued a Stop-Sale Order on the products, and helped bring the company into compliance. Orcal, Inc. is a manufacturer of slug and snail bait, lime sulfur, and liquid fertilizers that service the agricultural community.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/4ec63f9665e3b2eb852578cb007763c6?OpenDocument>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

8. *July 13, Knoxville News Sentinel* – (Tennessee) **Erwin plant cleared by NRC to restart nuclear fuel process.** The Knoxville News Sentinel reported July 13 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) cleared an Erwin, Tennessee plant that processes nuclear fuel to restart another processing line — the fourth to resume operations since a December 2009 stand-down. The NRC informed Nuclear Fuel Services (NFS) it could continue processing uranium hexafluoride at its plant after coming into compliance with guidelines on processing radioactive material. In November, the company informed NRC inspectors it agreed to corrective actions related to the company's failure to provide the agency with complete and accurate inspection information. Through action correspondence, the agency issued NFS the procedures it must implement before restarting suspended areas, and measures to be followed after they came back online. NFS also received clearance to resume processing its metal/uranium oxide line.
Source: <http://www.knoxnews.com/news/2011/jul/13/erwin-plant-cleared-by-nrc-to-restart-nuclear/>
9. *July 12, Omaha World-Herald* – (Nebraska) **Alert status lifted at Cooper reactor.** The Missouri River dropped enough near Brownville, Nebraska, July 12 that the Cooper Nuclear Station no longer was required to operate in an alert mode. Since the morning of June 19, the nuclear power plant was operating at the lowest of four alert levels established by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The alert status was

triggered by the river reaching 899 feet above sea level. For the past several days, the river was consistently below that level, the Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) said. NPPD's director of nuclear safety assurance said Cooper would continue to monitor flood conditions. The majority of flood barricades at the plant would remain in place.

Source: <http://www.omaha.com/article/20110712/NEWS01/110719849/0>

10. *July 12, Legal Newsline* – (New York) **NRC mulling action against Indian Point power plant.** New York's attorney general (NYAG) announced July 12 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) accepted a petition for fire safety enforcement at the Indian Point nuclear power station in Buchanan, New York. The NYAG filed the petition over Indian Point's alleged failure to comply with federal fire safety regulations established to keep power plants secure in an emergency. The NRC would consider action to compel the plant to meet critical fire safety requirements that could enhance fire safety enforcement at nuclear facilities across the country, the NYAG said. Indian Point allegedly violated established fire safety rules, and is seeking approval from the NRC for more than 100 exemptions.

Source: <http://www.legalnewsline.com/news/233268-nrc-mulling-action-against-indian-point-power-plant>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

11. *July 13, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Additional retail sales prompt CPSC and Meijer to reannounce touch point heater recall; fire hazard posed.** The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with Meijer Inc., July 13 announced a voluntary recall of about 13,000 Touch Point Oscillating Ceramic Heaters. The oscillating mechanism can short out, posing a fire hazard to consumers. This announcement involves previously recalled Touch Point oscillating ceramic heaters with model number PTC-902. The heaters were sold at Meijer stores in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio from October 2009 through April 2011. Discount retailers, dollar stores, flea markets, and retail liquidators nationwide sold the heaters from November 2010 through April 2011. The heaters were sold after the original recall was announced in November 2010.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml11/11277.html>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

12. *July 12, National Defense Magazine* – (International) **Drone sensor data will overload networks, Navy officials warn.** The expected growth of unmanned systems at sea is raising concerns the U.S. Navy's networks are ill prepared to handle the commensurate flood of data the sensors will produce, National Defense magazine reported July 12. "The Navy's architecture is not designed to address the influx of sensors that is coming on," said the executive director of the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center

Atlantic. The Navy's maritime intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance roadmap indicates officials intend to field a fleet of unmanned undersea vehicles by the end of the decade, and a squadron of unmanned carrier-launched aircraft by 2018. The fleet already is operating several robotic helicopters to support ongoing operations in Afghanistan and Somalia, and those systems are producing a lot of data, officials said at a recent naval IT conference in Vienna, Virginia. "Information is exploding and much of it is coming from the sea," said the assistant deputy chief of naval operations for information dominance. As the Navy fields unmanned systems, the demand for bandwidth and data is going to increase by more than 1,000 percent, he said.

Source:

<http://www.nationaldefensemagazine.org/archive/2011/August/Pages/DroneSensorDataWillOverloadNetworks.NavyOfficialsWarn.aspx>

13. *July 12, CNET* – (International) **Anonymous targets Monsanto, oil firms.** Military contractor Booz Allen Hamilton confirmed it was the victim of an "illegal attack" July 12, 1 day after hackers posted what they said were about 90,000 military e-mail addresses purloined from a server of the consulting firm. "Booz Allen Hamilton has confirmed today that the posting of certain data files on the Internet yesterday was the result of an illegal attack. We are conducting a full review of the nature and extent of the attack. At this time, we do not believe that the attack extended beyond data pertaining to a learning management system for a government agency," the company said in a statement after refusing to comment July 11. "Our policy and security practice is generally not to comment on such matters; however, given the publicity about this event, we believe it is important to set out our preliminary understanding of the facts," the company added. "We are communicating with our clients and analyzing the nature of this attack and the data files affected. We maintain our commitment to protect our clients and our firm from illegal thefts of information." Meanwhile, the Anonymous online activist collective, which is part of the AntiSec campaign that claimed it had attacked Booz Allen, said July 12 it had attacked Web servers of Monsanto, and released data on employees to protest the company's lawsuits against organic dairy farmers for stating on labels their products do not contain growth hormones. A list of more than 2,550 names, addresses, and e-mail addresses — many that appeared related to Monsanto — were posted to the Pastee.org Web site. Anonymous also announced "Operation Green Rights/Project Tarmaggedon," against Exxon Mobil, ConocoPhillips, Canada Oil Sands, Imperial Oil, the Royal Bank of Scotland, and others.
Source: http://news.cnet.com/8301-27080_3-20078963-245/anonymous-targets-monsanto-oil-firms/

14. *July 12, Bloomberg* – (Louisiana) **Northrop claim to save \$600 million in shipyard sale is questioned by U.S.** The Defense Department's audit agency concluded it cannot verify Northrop Grumman's assertion that divesting its shipbuilding business and shutting one of its three yards will save the United States as much as \$600 million, Bloomberg reported July 12. The Defense Contract Audit Agency in a February 1 audit also concluded Northrop's claim for \$310 million in federal reimbursement to close the Avondale, Louisiana shipyard is "unsupported," according to a summary. The U.S. Navy has not previously disclosed the audit. Its summary is referenced in an appendix of the Pentagon Inspector General's new semi-annual report.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-07-12/northrop-claim-to-save-600-million-in-shipyardsale-is-questioned-by-u-s-.html>

15. *July 12, Agence France-Presse* – (International) **U.S. firm says it illegally sent plans to China.** A U.S. defense contractor pleaded guilty July 12 to one charge of conspiring to illegally export U.S. Defense Department (DoD) weapons plans to China in an apparent money-saving scheme, the Justice Department (DOJ) said. From 2004 to 2009, New Jersey-based Swiss Technology had contracts with the DoD to make rifle and machine gun parts to use in military operations, the DOJ statement said. But rather than manufacture the parts itself, Swiss Technology outsourced plans for the work to China "at a much cheaper price per unit" without first obtaining the required license from the U.S. State Department, the statement said. Swiss Technology admitted it entered into the Chinese contracts for its own financial benefit, the statement said. The government said the fraudulent contracting meant a loss of more than \$1.1 million to DoD. Under terms of the plea agreement, Swiss Technology will pay that money back to the Pentagon. Sentencing is scheduled for November 15.

Source: <http://www.defensenews.com/story.php?i=7078413&c=AME&s=TOP>

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Banking and Finance Sector

16. *July 13, WCTI 12 New Bern* – (National) **East coast credit card scam busted.** Two suspected credit card counterfeiters were behind bars July 12 after Carteret County, North Carolina deputies seized more than \$100,000 in electronics, and more than 70 fake credit cards. The Brooklyn, New York pair found themselves facing blue lights after a traffic stop on Highway 70. Carteret County Sheriff's deputies arrested the two in connection with a credit card scam ring that spans seven states on the East Coast. The scammers are accused of creating fake credit cards with unsuspecting victims' valid credit card account numbers embedded into the magnetic strips. These valid account numbers were obtained from victims whose identity had been stolen. The counterfeit cards were then used as payment for electronics such as brand new laptops, iPads, and gift cards. The suspects are believed to have been accompanied by two other men who have not yet been identified and were not in the vehicle when it was stopped. Investigators located more than 70 counterfeit credit cards, more than \$1,500 in cash, 46 gift cards, and 87 pre-paid credit cards. During the investigation, deputies learned that the pair had traveled through numerous states including New York, New Jersey, Delaware, West Virginia, Virginia, and North Carolina. The fake credit card ring is believed to be operating out of the Washington, D.C. area. The pair were charged July 11 with 68 counts of possession of counterfeit credit cards.

Source: <http://www.wcti12.com/news/28525355/detail.html>

17. *July 12, Orange County Register* – (California) **Man suspected in 'drifter bandit' heists charged with robbery.** A man suspected of being the serial robber known as the "Drifter Bandit" was charged with felony robbery and burglary July 11 after police said

he struck four South County banks in California. The 45-year-old of Santa Ana was charged July 11 with four felony counts each of second-degree robbery and second-degree burglary, as well as sentencing enhancements for prior convictions stemming from a half-dozen previous robberies and a pair of assaults, according to the Orange County District Attorney's office. The "Drifter Bandit" — so named for his unkempt appearance — is believed to have robbed a Chase bank branch in San Juan Capistrano May 3, a U.S. Bank branch in Dana Point May 26, a Citibank in Laguna Niguel July 5 and a Farmers & Merchants Bank branch in San Juan Capistrano July 6. He brandished a handgun during at least two of the robberies. A task force consisting of Orange County Sheriff's Department and FBI personnel put the suspect under surveillance after identifying him as the suspected robber. Sheriff's deputies took him into custody after a felony car stop in Santa Ana July 8. If convicted, he faces a maximum sentence of 110 years to life in state prison, prosecutors said.

Source: <http://www.ocregister.com/news/marano-308054-county-drifter.html>

18. *July 12, Kansas City Star* – (Kansas) **Four plead guilty to \$4.9 million mortgage scheme.** Four Kansas City, Kansas-area men pleaded guilty to federal charges in a \$4.9 million home rehabilitation scheme. According to records in U.S. District Court in Kansas City, the leader of the scheme obtained \$4.9 million in loans to rehabilitate more than 40 properties in the Kansas City area to resell them. He obtained the loans based on “subject to” appraisals in which he could receive funds for up to 80 percent of what the dwellings would be appraised for after renovations were completed. He stopped rehabilitating houses in October 2006, and began making false representations to lenders, according to a July 12 news release from a U.S. attorney. The man enlisted friends and family to buy some of the properties, and the group falsified information on loan documents. In some cases, the convict made down payments on behalf of the borrowers and falsified documents to make it appear the buyers made the payments. He pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bank fraud and money laundering. One of his accomplices pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and money laundering, a second to conspiracy to commit bank fraud, and a third to conspiracy to commit wire fraud.

Source: <http://www.kansascity.com/2011/07/12/3009803/four-plead-guilty-to-49-million.html>

19. *July 12, Contra Costa Times* – (California) **Two arrested in Pleasant Hill, suspected of making fake ATM cards.** Police arrested two people at a Pleasant Hill, California bank July 10 after they were found in possession of several loaded firearms, hundreds of cloned debit cards, and tens of thousands of dollars in cash. Officers responded to a call at 12:10 p.m. about two people acting suspiciously and loitering near the Citibank ATM on Contra Costa Boulevard, according to a news release. When officers made contact with the suspects, one tried to flee on foot but was caught by police. Officers eventually arrested two men on suspicion of committing several felonies. Investigators believe the suspects somehow gained access to customers' bank account information and personal identification numbers, then "made their own cards with those PIN numbers, went into ATMs, and started making withdrawals," a Pleasant Hill police lieutenant said.

Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_18457075

20. *July 12, Associated Press* – (International) **Europol helps dismantle debit card fraud ring.** The European Union's police organization (Europol) said July 12 it has helped dismantle a major debit card fraud ring believed to have stolen \$70 million from bank accounts around the world. Europol said the fraudsters used sophisticated "skimming" devices to copy personal information from cards and then used the details to clone the cards and empty bank accounts linked to them. Europol said July 12 that a months-long investigation code-named "Night Clone" led to dozens of arrests earlier this month. Bulgarian police arrested 47 suspects, while police in Italy detained nine. U.S. police arrested two suspects as did their Spanish counterparts, and one person was held in Poland. Europol said more arrests are likely in the future.
Source: <http://www.businessweek.com/ap/financialnews/D9OE3H681.htm>

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Transportation Sector

21. *July 13, CNN* – (National) **Figures show thousands of security breaches at U.S. airports.** The nation's airports have suffered more than 25,000 security breaches since November 2001, according to a House committee, citing information it said it received from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). The breaches — amounting to about seven a day — include everything from people who accidentally leave a bag on a checkpoint conveyor belt to those who purposefully evade security and get onto airplanes without proper screening. A TSA spokesman did not contest the figure, but questioned its significance, saying all breaches are investigated and resolved. The agency said it did not have a breakdown of breaches by severity. With about 25,000 of these incidents over a decade at more than 450 TSA-regulated airports, the number of breaches amounted to just over five such incidents per airport per year, according to the TSA. The information was released by the House Oversight and Government Reform subcommittee on national security, homeland defense, and foreign operations in advance of a hearing July 13 on airport perimeter security.
Source: <http://edition.cnn.com/2011/US/07/13/airport.security/>
22. *July 13, Wall Street Journal* – (International) **U.S. cites dangers in MD-11 jet landings.** Despite more than a decade of efforts to improve the safety of McDonnell Douglas MD-11 jets, U.S. accident investigators July 12 called for stepped-up pilot training worldwide to counter landing incidents that continue to plague the widely used cargo planes. Prompted by 7 serious MD-11 landing incidents over the past 2 years — including a pair of botched touchdowns overseas that resulted in a loss of both aircraft — the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) said it is concerned cockpit crews are not effectively trained to cope with the MD-11's difficult handling characteristics. In its recommendations, the board called on U.S. air-safety regulators to mandate enhanced training to help pilots keep the three-engine jets from descending too rapidly and bouncing during landings. "Despite the corrective actions taken" by the Federal Aviation Administration and MD-11 operators over the years, the NTSB concluded, pilots need more training to make appropriate adjustments to engine thrust and flight-

control surfaces to prevent accidents. Since going into service in 1990, MD-11's have suffered a total of 14 serious landing incidents, including 4 accidents that ended with the complete loss of the aircraft, the NTSB said.

Source:

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052702303678704576442791608343706.html?mod=googlenews_wsj

23. *July 12, WCVB 5 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **447 passengers evacuated off MBTA trains.** The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) said 447 people had to be evacuated July 12 from a disabled train on the Red Line in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The train broke down in a tunnel near the Porter Square Station, according to the MBTA. Passengers who were on two six-car trains were helped off the trains and walked through to the station. Passengers told the Boston Globe they had to walk nearly 1,000 feet from the disabled train in the tunnel before they reached daylight. The spokesman said none of the passengers needed hospitalization, but some people received medical assistance at a triage tent set up by Cambridge emergency health responders. Passengers told the Globe the air conditioning was working for the first hour of the ordeal, but was turned off when the MBTA tried to put two trains together. Power on the line was shut off between Alewife and Harvard Square Stations. Buses were being used. The cause of the breakdown was under investigation.

Source: <http://www.thebostonchannel.com/news/28520847/detail.html>

24. *July 11, KOTV 6 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **Heat-buckled highway blamed for Pawnee County crash.** A portion of the Cimarron Turnpike buckled by heat is being blamed for a crash in Pawnee County, Oklahoma, July 10. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol (OHP) said a 36-year-old Enid man was flown to a Tulsa hospital after his motorcycle went airborne after hitting the buckled pavement. The OHP said the man was westbound on U.S. Highway 412. Troopers said the buckled pavement created a 2-foot high ramp at mile marker 39. The OHP said when the rider's 2008 Honda CBR hit the ramp, it went airborne for 150 feet, then skidded 222 feet. A medical helicopter flew him to a Tulsa hospital where he was listed in stable condition with severe injuries. An Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) work crew was repairing the roadway. The OTA said it is not unusual for the concrete to buckle when it gets hot and stays hot. The road is cut into 15-foot sections. As the temperatures rise, the sections slowly move into one another and once they collide, there's no place left to go but up.

Source: <http://www.newson6.com/story/15059775/heat-buckled-highway-blamed-for-pawnee-county-crash>

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Postal and Shipping Sector

25. *July 12, Associated Press* – (Alabama) **Alabama man pleads guilty over hoax anthrax letters sent to Shelby, others.** Federal prosecutors said an Alabama man pleaded guilty to mailing hoax anthrax letters sent to a U.S. Senator and others. A

statement released July 12 by the U.S. attorney said the 39-year-old man of Clifton pleaded guilty to 23 counts of mailing letters that contained white powder which could have been perceived as a biological toxin. Aside from the postal charge, the suspect pleaded guilty to conspiracy. A co-defendant pleaded guilty in 2010.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/339ad5eea6194144b76ca7538eb266fc/AL--Anthrax-Hoax-Plea/>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

26. *July 13, Agence France-Presse* – (International) **Fears mount in Japan over radioactive beef.** Radiation fears mounted July 13 in Japan after news that contaminated beef from a farm just outside the Fukushima nuclear no-go zone was shipped across the country and probably eaten. Meat from 11 cows at the farm was found to be contaminated with up to six times the legal limit of cesium, and the farmer has since admitted he fed the animals straw exposed to radioactive fallout. The readings of up to 3,200 becquerel per kilogram were taken at a Tokyo meat-packaging plant, after earlier external readings at the farm had picked up no sign of radiation, according to officials. The farm in Minamisoma, just beyond the 12-mile exclusion zone, had already sold six cows in May and June. Their beef was shipped across the country, and much of it is believed to have been consumed. Of the total amount, 3,165 pounds of beef were distributed to shops and restaurants in 12 prefectures, including Tokyo and Osaka, a Tokyo metropolitan government official said. The government sought to reassure the public there was no immediate threat. Fukushima prefecture officials said the farmer had stated in a questionnaire that the cows had not been fed contaminated straw, but tests later showed the straw contained cesium 56 times the legal limit, Kyodo News reported.

Source:

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hz6noIDkrCWIfpPe0qG8qunuZfWQ?docId=CNG.58ca90fe6a1082dd262d07cf56c7dacd.2a1>

27. *July 12, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Illinois) **OSHA cites Jewel Food Stores for safety violations at Franklin Park, Ill., food warehouse.** The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has cited Jewel Food Stores Inc. in Franklin Park, Illinois, for 13 safety violations after an evaluation of the company's process safety management system was found lacking several required elements for handling ammonia refrigeration systems used in the food warehouse/distribution center. Proposed penalties total \$75,000. One repeat violation was cited for failing to develop and implement written operating procedures consistent with process safety information that provided clear instruction for safely conducting activities related to each covered process. Jewel Food was cited for the same violation in March 2010. Ten serious violations were noted. A serious violation occurs when there is substantial probability that death or serious physical harm could result from a hazard about which the employer knew or should have known. Two other-than-serious violations were cited for failing to maintain a contract employee injury and illness log,

and lacking procedures for handling small releases of ammonia in the emergency action plan. An other-than-serious violation is one that has a direct relationship to job safety and health, but probably would not cause death or serious physical harm.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=20244

28. *July 12, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Nebraska) **OSHA cites Tyson Foods in Nebraska for process safety management deficiencies.** Tyson Foods Inc. in Dakota City, Nebraska, was cited for one repeat and nine serious violations by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). These violations, carrying proposed penalties of \$71,500, were cited following combined safety and health inspections at the facility. OSHA's inspections of the red meat producer were initiated in May 2011 under the agency's Site-Specific Targeting Program for industries with high occupational injury and illness rates, and its Process Safety Management (PSM) Covered Chemical Facilities National Emphasis Program. OSHA's PSM standard emphasizes the management of dangers associated with highly hazardous chemicals, and establishes a comprehensive management program that integrates technologies, procedures, and management practices. Six serious violations were noted.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=20250

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Water Sector

29. *July 13, Fostoria Review Times* – (Ohio) **Hazardous chemicals surfacing.** Hazardous chemicals that spilled during a February train derailment west of Arcadia, Ohio, are still seeping into the ground and into a nearby waterway via a stormwater drain, the state discovered July 12. A spokeswoman for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) said the 32 Norfolk Southern tank cars that derailed and exploded contained 826,500 gallons of ethanol and gasoline mixture and now threatens to reach the south branch of the Portage River. Contaminants that "didn't burn off (in the train wreck) have penetrated the ground and are running off and leaching" into the stream, the OEPA spokeswoman said. But she said, chemicals have yet to be detected in drinking water wells or in amounts that could harm wildlife. Polluted water was found in a stormwater drainage tile shared by the railroad, a farmer, and the Blanchard Valley Farmers Co-Op fertilizer plant near the tracks, the OEPA spokeswoman said. The state sent two violation notices to Norfolk Southern. It placed aerators at two places on the stream, and the chemicals' effect on water quality will be monitored.

Source:

http://www.reviewtimes.com/Issues/2011/Jul/13/ar_news_071311_story2.asp?d=071311_story2,2011,Jul,13&c=n

30. *July 12, Shelby Star* – (North Carolina) **Water leak spewed 300,000 gallons in Kings Mountain.** A leak found in water lines July 10 in Kings Mountain, North Carolina, was responsible for spilling around 300,000 gallons of water. The water resources director of Kings Mountain reported “the problem (was) the valve not holding.” The director said no residents lost any water, and it was not a critical problem, though he speculates that the leak put out between 300,000 and 500,000 gallons of water.
Source: <http://www.shelbystar.com/news/water-56629-gallons-kings.html>
31. *July 12, Houston Chronicle* – (Texas) **Drought plagues Houston, Pasadena with water line breaks.** The public works director for Houston, Texas, announced July 11 that the number of water-main breaks rose to 633, up from 500 in mid-June. Meteorologists are recording the driest year on record in Houston, nearly 20 inches below normal rainfall at Hobby Airport. Officials said the drought wrecks underground pipes, "...the ground) twists, it turns, it moves, and anything that is down there breaks," the public works spokesman said. In Pasadena, water distribution department workers were called out on 99 service requests in June 2010, but responded to 558 calls for leaks and bursts. Houston has plenty of water, officials said; the reservoirs hold a 2-year supply according to public works figures. The difficulty in getting that water to homes and businesses through 7,000 miles of splitting, cracking pipes inspired a call for conservation. The Stage One water shortage declared by the mayor asks Houston residents to voluntarily limit watering of lawns to between the hours of 8 p.m. and 10 a.m., no more than twice a week. The city is pumping 574 million gallons a day, about two-thirds of its pumping capacity. That is up from about 427 million gallons daily in March. Should reservoir levels or water pressure drop drastically, or if pumping were to exceed 80 percent of system capacity, city ordinance calls for those irrigation limits to become mandatory.
Source: <http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/metropolitan/7650680.html>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

32. *July 12, Federal Computer Week* – (National) **GAO finds Medicare/Medicaid anti-fraud systems have gaps.** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) two IT fraud-detection systems have gaps in data and are underused, resulting in shortcomings in identifying the \$70 billion in estimated improper payments made by Medicare and Medicaid each year, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) said in a new report July 11. The GAO found the CMS is not fully using the anti-fraud IT systems, and the systems themselves are also not working as anticipated. The Integrated Data Repository, is functioning, but does not have all the data it was intended to have. The agency has been stymied from including all anticipated data by technical issues and gaps in funding. The second system, known as One Program Integrity, was supposed to have 639 users by September 30, 2010. However, there were only 41 users as of October 2010. That represents only about 7 percent of the anticipated users. Agency officials blamed the lack of widespread usage on

shortcomings in the training plans. Overall, GAO concluded that it was not possible to know if the IT systems were fulfilling their goals and recovering sufficient payments to cover their costs. The report recommended making efforts to include more data in the repository, and training more people. CMS managers agreed with the recommendations.

Source: <http://fcw.com/articles/2011/07/12/cms-antifraud-systems-lack-data-and-are-underutilized-gao-says.aspx>

33. *July 12, Chicago Daily Herald* – (Illinois) **Smoke evacuates Crystal Lake nursing home.** A Crystal Lake nursing home in Chicago, Illinois, was evacuated July 12 when an overheated generator began filling the basement with black smoke around 4 p.m., according to fire officials. Firefighters responded, and at least 100 people inside the building were evacuated as firefighters searched for the source of the smoke, the Crystal Lake battalion chief said. Crews found the cause of the smoke, shut the machine down, and ventilated the basement. It took crews about 20 minutes to find the smoke and ventilate the building before residents and staff could re-enter. There was no damage to the building, and the smoke was contained to the basement. There was no evidence of a fire, and the cause of the generator malfunction remained under investigation that night.

Source: <http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110712/news/707129820/>

34. *July 11, msnbc.com* – (International) **Bad bug: Gonorrhea strain resists all drugs.** Infectious disease specialists have received news that confirms gonorrhea, one of the most prevalent sexually transmitted diseases (STD) in the world, has become resistant to the last widely available antibiotics used to treat it, a class of drugs called cephalosporins. In addition, a new, cephalosporin-resistant strain of the bacteria has been discovered. The Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project, a lookout program designed to spot resistance, found that 1.4 percent of patient samples showed growing ability to defeat cefixime in 2010 compared to just .2 percent in 2000. Resistance to ceftioxone grew from .1 percent to .3 percent during the same period. On July 10, a Japanese-European team presenting data at the International Society for Sexually Transmitted Disease Research meeting publicly announced the discovery of a new strain of gonorrhea, H041, that displays a strong resistance to ceftriaxone. The percentage of U.S. gonorrhea cases that are less susceptible to the two cephalosporins used to treat it, cefixime, taken orally, and ceftriaxone, injected, is on the rise, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's latest Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report. When researchers grew H041 with other gonorrhea strains, genetic recombination increased those strains' resistance by up to 500-fold. "Why this is so concerning is that there are no other treatment options besides cephalosporins right now," said an STD infection expert at Emory University. She explained, if history is any guide, the H041 strain will soon arrive in the United States.

Source: http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/43689581/ns/health-sexual_health/

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Government Facilities Sector

35. *July 13, Associated Press* – (Kansas) **Vandals damage Eudora High School's stadium - KansasCity.com.** Vandals who did \$25,000 in damage to Eudora High School's new stadium in Eudora, Kansas have prompted the school district to close the stadium to the public for now. The superintendent said the stadium, which opened in the fall of 2010, will be closed until it is cleaned and security is improved. The Lawrence Journal-World reported the damage was discovered July 8. Police said the vandals painted profanities and rude images on the field's artificial turf, the wall of a concession stand, and a water tower near the stadium. The superintendent said the main damage is to the artificial turf. The stadium was constructed with funds from a 2007 voter-approved bond issue. It cost just under \$2 million, and had been open to the public for walking and jogging.
Source: <http://www.kansascity.com/2011/07/13/3011279/vandals-damage-at-eudora-high.html>
36. *July 12, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **Mo. DNR building evacuated after chemical spill.** The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) said no injuries were reported after a chemical spill prompted evacuation of its environmental services laboratory building in Jefferson City July 12. The agency estimates that between 8 and 17 ounces of ethylenediamine spilled inside a lab when a vial broke around 9:30 a.m. The chemical is used to analyze samples of drinking water. Exposure can cause shortness of breath, eye irritation, and other symptoms. A DNR spokeswoman said fumes from the chemical were contained to the lab. Employees returned to the building within 3 hours after emergency responders finished cleaning up the spill. About 90 people work in the building.
Source: http://www.stltoday.com/news/state-and-regional/missouri/article_8258a176-4a22-539a-8ee8-1a8387951414.html
37. *July 12, Stars and Stripes* – (International) **U.S. Army evaluating safety procedures after shots from U.S. range hit civilian, garrison buildings.** U.S. Army officials said they are evaluating safety procedures at the U.S. military garrison in Grafenwohr, Germany after live rounds from a machine gun, fired during a training exercise, hit buildings on and off base, including a private home, and two barracks buildings. No one was hurt. The U.S. military and German authorities are investigating the incident, which occurred July 8 during a moving live-fire exercise with an M-2 .50 caliber machine gun. Eleven rounds were misfired toward the town and garrison, hitting barracks buildings, a motor pool, the physical fitness center and two vehicles on post, as well as a garage, family home and the glass door of a private vocational school, said a public affairs spokesman for the garrison. German police said the school was already closed for the day. German police said a 55-year-old pensioner heard the shots around 3:20 p.m., and alerted police after finding bullet hits in his garage roof, and the facade of a nearby home.
Source: <http://www.stripes.com/u-s-army-evaluating-safety-procedures-after-shots-from-u-s-range-hit-civilian-garrison-buildings-1.149001>

38. *July 12, Government Computer News* – (International) **Hack of Energy’s Pacific Northwest lab exploited zero-day vulnerability.** The cyberattack that took the Energy Department’s (DOE) Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) offline July 1 exploited a zero-day vulnerability to infect systems with an Advanced Persistent Threat, the lab's CIO said July 12. Although external e-mail and some internal communications have been restored, the lab’s Web site remains unavailable and the Richland, Washington, lab still has no Internet access. The lab's CIO said he hopes remaining services will be restored by late July 13 or early July 14. Pacific Northwest was one of two DOE labs that became aware of an attack July 1. The Thomas Jefferson Laboratory National Accelerator Facility in Newport News, Virginia, also went offline for a period after the attack was discovered, but restored Internet services and began rebuilding its Web site the week of July 4. Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, Ohio, which manages the Pacific Northwest Lab and several others for the DOE and the United Kingdom, also came under attack July 1. Corporate e-mail and outside network access was shut down over the holiday weekend but was restored July 5. PNNL's CIO said response teams at Pacific Northwest found multiple malicious codes and tools as a result of the breach, and PNNL provided information on the attack to the DOE's Cyber Incident Response Center, which can provide information to other response groups.
Source: <http://gcn.com/articles/2011/07/12/energy-lab-attack-zero-day-exploit.aspx>

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Emergency Services Sector

39. *July 13, Cleveland News-Leader* – (Ohio) **Man suspected of planting explosive on police officer's vehicle arrested.** Information provided after a \$2,000 reward was offered has led to the arrest of the individual police believe planted an explosive device on an officer's car in May, according to the Northfield Village, Ohio police chief. He said members of the Northern Ohio Fugitive Task Force arrested a 24-year-old Northfield Village resident at the home of some friends in Garfield Heights July 8. The suspect is in the Summit County Jail. Bond was set at \$500,000 at his June 11 arraignment. Court officials said he did not have an attorney. The suspect has been charged with attempted aggravated arson, a first-degree felony, as well as felony possession of a weapon under disability, and unlawful possession of dangerous ordnance. He was also charged with inducing panic, a misdemeanor.
Source: <http://www.the-news-leader.com/news/article/5064519>
40. *July 13, Bay City News Service* – (California) **Woman crashes into fire station, arrested for DUI.** An Oakland, California woman who crashed her SUV into a San Mateo fire station July 11 while her teenage daughter was in the car has been arrested for driving under the influence and child endangerment, a police sergeant said. He said she lost control of her GMC Yukon on State Route 92, left the road, and crashed into a rolling garage door at the San Mateo Fire Department’s Station 27 on De Anza Boulevard at 10:50 p.m. The woman was pulled unconscious from the vehicle and

taken to a hospital, the sergeant said. Her 17-year-old daughter was treated for a minor injury at a hospital and released.

Source: [http://www.smdailyjournal.com/article_preview.php?id=162846&title=Woman crashes into fire station, arrested for DUI](http://www.smdailyjournal.com/article_preview.php?id=162846&title=Woman+crashes+into+fire+station,+arrested+for+DUI)

41. *July 13, WBAL 11 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **City can't retrieve 911 calls.** WBAL 11 Baltimore reported July 13 that the city of Baltimore, Maryland has lost the ability to retrieve its 911 calls. A station reporter said July 12 it was the result of a breakdown in an aging system. She said the problem does not affect calls to 911 — they are being answered. The problem should be corrected soon, when the old system is upgraded, the reporter was told. WBAL 11 discovered the problem July 12 as it tracked down the police response to concerns of residents of a neighborhood that had suffered a string of burglaries.
Source: <http://www.wbalv.com/news/28524433/detail.html>
42. *July 12, KMGH 7 Denver* – (Colorado) **Colo. chief allegedly impersonated police officer.** Hygiene, Colorado's fire chief was suspended after his arrest July 9 on suspicion of impersonating a police officer, and driving under the influence. He was driving his personal "volunteer firefighter truck" when he turned on red flashing lights to pull over a vehicle carrying three people at 10:15 p.m. near North Foothills Highway and Hygiene Road, a Boulder County deputy's report said. Deputies arrested him on suspicion of impersonating a police officer, driving under the influence, marijuana possession, and a firearm violation, an arrest affidavit said. Police found 5 grams of marijuana in the truck cab, along with a loaded .40-caliber handgun in the center console, and a loaded .22-caliber rifle between the two front seats, the affidavit said. The suspect was released from jail July 11 on \$5,000 bond.
Source: <http://www.firehouse.com/news/top-headlines/colo-chief-allegedly-impersonated-police-officer>
43. *July 12, KVOA 4 Tuscon* – (Arizona; International) **New border fence broken.** The new 18-foot border fence along the Arizona-Mexico border has already been broken through — and it is not even completely installed yet, KVOA 4 Tuscon reported July 12. The U.S. government is close to completing a new and improved border fence south of Bisbee. The new project features Bollard style fencing that stands 18 feet tall with a deeper base to help prevent tunneling.
Source: <http://www.kvoa.com/news/new-border-fence-broken/>

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Information Technology Sector

44. *July 12, Computerworld* – (International) **Microsoft patches 'sexy' Bluetooth bug in Vista, Windows 7.** Microsoft patched 22 vulnerabilities in Windows and Office July 12, including a bug in the Bluetooth technology within Vista and Windows 7 that could be used to hijack a nearby PC. Of the four updates, called "bulletins" by Microsoft,

only one was labeled "critical" — the most-serious rating in the company's four-step scoring system — while the other three were marked "important," the next-most-dangerous category. The 22 individual bugs patched were more than in most odd-numbered months, which are typically light months for Microsoft. The standout bulletin was the sole critical update, MS11-053, researchers said. "It's quirky, and it's remotely exploitable," said the director of security operations for nCircle Security, of the Vista and Windows update that plugs a hole in the operating systems' Bluetooth stack. "It's at the top of our priority list," echoed the manager of Qualys' vulnerability research lab. "It could be exploited against someone using a Bluetooth mouse or headset, perhaps in a coffee shop, so it's tremendously important that people apply the patch, or if they can't do that, disable Bluetooth [on Vista and Windows 7]."

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9218350/Microsoft_patchesSexyBluetoothBuginVistaWindows7

45. *July 12, Computerworld* – (International) **Mac security firm ships first-ever iPhone malware scanner.** French security company Intego released VirusBarrier, the first malware-scanning application for the iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch. The software for iOS was approved by Apple, and debuted on the App Store July 12. Because iOS prevents the program from accessing the file system or conducting automatic or scheduled scans, VirusBarrier must be manually engaged, and then scans only file attachments and files on remote servers, according to a spokesman for Intego. VirusBarrier cannot scan apps for possible infection. When an e-mail attachment is received by the iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch, the user can intercede by utilizing VirusBarrier, which then scans the file for infection before it is opened or forwarded to others. The spokesman characterized VirusBarrier for iOS as a way for iPhone and iPad users to prevent hardware from spreading malware. VirusBarrier for iOS can scan e-mail attachments in a many formats, including Microsoft's Word, Excel, and PowerPoint; PDF documents; JavaScript files; and Windows executables, those files tagged with the .exe extension. It can also scan files in a Dropbox folder, those stored on MobileMe's iDisk, or files downloaded via the iOS version of Safari.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9218339/Mac_security_firm_ships_first_ever_iPhone_malware_scanner

46. *July 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **Scammers lure users with fake Google+ invites.** Google's move to temporarily shut down the invite mechanism for its new social network, Google+, played into the hands of online scammers, who have been sending fake invites and setting up fake sites where users can supposedly download a personal invite. Trend Micro researchers spotted a site purportedly set up by a friend of a Google employee that has given him 1,000 extra invites to pass out. However, before users can download the invite, they must complete a survey. Even if users close that window and continue, they are taken to a file-sharing site where they can download the file for free if they complete another survey, or pay money to download it. If users select not to pay, the option to take the free survey remains. After having chosen the survey, victims are warned to enter valid data about themselves when prompted — including their mobile phone number — or lose the option of downloading the invite.

Submitting such information gives scammers permission to subscribe victims to a number of mobile services that are not free. Users are never given an invite to Google+. Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=11270>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at sos@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <https://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

47. *July 13, Nashua Telegraph* – (New Hampshire; Maine, Vermont) **Cable failure knocks out Net.** A 90-minute outage in part of Manchester, New Hampshire, July 11 killed Internet and voice mail service for at least 5 hours, affecting thousands of FairPoint customers around northern New England. The problem did not affect voice telephone service or 911 emergency service. The problem started with the failure around 1:20 p.m. of a primary underground power cable in the Manchester Millyard area, near the WMUR office, said a Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH) spokeswoman. Power was lost in a number of downtown blocks, and engineers returned power about 2:40 p.m., she said. The cause of the failure is still being determined. Among the buildings affected was FairPoint’s Network Operations Center at 770 Elm Street. The center has a generator to provide backup power in such circumstances. A FairPoint spokeswoman said “equipment that controls the handoff between commercial power and generator power” failed to work. The operations center is distinct from the centers and switches that handle telephone voice service. She said DSL broadband and voice-mail service was lost for an uncertain number of customers in the three New England states served by FairPoint — Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire — through the evening. Some issues also occurred with dial-up Internet, which usually travels through standard telephone switches, and in New Hampshire, there were problems with “static DSL,” a type of broadband service, as late as July 12. Source: <http://www.nashuatelegraph.com/news/925803-196/cable-failure-knocks-out-net.html>
48. *July 13, msnbc.com* – (National) **Big telecom firms make millions from cramming fees, senator says.** Mysterious fees and services crammed onto phone bills are a “nationwide epidemic” for U.S. consumers, but a reliable source of revenue for some of America's biggest telecommunications companies, a year-long Congressional investigation has found. A report issued July 13 by a West Virginia U.S. Senator said that three firms — Verizon, AT&T, and CenturyLink/Quest — earned \$650 million as their cut of cramming charges levied by third-parties since 2006. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) estimates that 15 million to 20 million consumers

are crammed every year. The Senator's report said cramming could cost U.S. consumers \$2 billion annually. Cramming complaints have piled into state consumer offices, the Federal Trade Commission, and the FCC since at least 1995, but neither Congress nor the phone companies that collect the money have been able to slow the problem or find the companies behind it. On July 12, however, the FCC proposed new rules that would require more obvious disclosures by third parties on phone bills.

Source: <http://redtape.msnbc.msn.com/news/2011/07/13/7072019-big-telecom-firms-make-millions-from-cramming-fees-senator-says>

49. *July 12, Springfield News-Sun* – (Ohio) **Utilities work to restore power.** A quick moving storm that ripped through Clark County, Ohio, July 11 knocked WYSO (91.3) public radio off the air after its studios in Yellow Springs and a tower were both struck by lightning. By the late afternoon July 12, the FM signal had not been restored, but the online stream was working, according to a news release. The Clark County Emergency Management Association (EMA) was on site July 11 in Springfield Township to perform a damage assessment and gather information, including witness accounts, to send to the National Weather Service, said the director of the Clark County EMA.
Source: <http://www.springfieldnewssun.com/news/springfield-news/utilities-work-to-restore-power-1205465.html>

50. *July 12, KQTV 2 St. Joseph* – (Missouri) **911 and communication services restored to four counties.** 911 and communication services were restored July 12 in four northwest Missouri counties. According to the Clinton County emergency manager, a CenturyLink fiber optic communication line in Stewartsville was accidentally cut knocking out service. The outage began around 7:30 a.m. in Andrew, Clinton, Caldwell, and Dekalb counties. The service interruption also impacted cell phone coverage and some land lines. The emergency manager said at least 50,000 people were impacted.
Source: http://stjoechannel.com/fulltext-news?nxd_id=211697

51. *July 12, FCC* – (National) **FCC strengthens E911 location accuracy for wireless wervices.** The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) took action July 12 to enhance the public's ability to contact emergency services during times of crisis and to enable public safety personnel to obtain more accurate data regarding the location of the caller. Specifically, the FCC strengthened Enhanced 911 (E911) location accuracy rules for wireless carriers, and sought comment on improving 911 availability and E911 location determination for Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services. E911 technology automatically provides a 911 call operator with the caller's telephone number and location data from either a landline or a wireless phone. Wireless carriers have historically provided E911 location information by one of two methods: "handset-based," where it is generated by a Global Positioning System or similar technology installed in the caller's handset, or "network-based," where location data is generated by triangulating the caller's wireless signal in relation to nearby cell sites. The FCC's rules require wireless carriers to identify the caller's location for a specified percentage of 911 calls within a range of 50 to 150 meters for carriers that use handset-based technology, and 100 to 300 meters for carriers that use network-based technology. In September 2010, the panel adopted benchmarks for wireless carriers to meet these

handset- and network-based accuracy thresholds at the county or Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) level for increasing percentages of 911 calls over an 8-year period. In the July 12 action, the FCC announced that after the conclusion of the 8-year implementation period in early 2019, it will sunset the existing network-based rule, and require all wireless carriers to meet the more stringent location accuracy standards in the handset-based rule.

Source: <http://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-strengthens-e911-location-accuracy-wireless-services>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

52. *July 13, Charleston Post and Courier* – (South Carolina) **These shells are scary to find on beach.** As erosion continues to shrink the beach on Folly Island, South Carolina more and more explosive devices may be exposed, said the Folly Beach public safety chief. Visitors at Folly Beach County Park found mortar shells along the beach about 2:45 p.m. July 12, which prompted authorities to clear the park so the devices could be detonated. "They found two mortar shells that had been exposed due to the erosion of the beach," the chief said. The bomb squad from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office was summoned, as was a bomb team from the state law enforcement division. Bomb squad technicians told him they thought the devices dated from World War II or earlier, the chief said. Bomb technicians moved the devices from their original locations because the tide was coming in and threatened to cover them up. A Charleston Air Force Base ordnance disposal team was summoned About 6:30 p.m., authorities asked everyone to leave the park as the devices were prepared for detonation.

Source: <http://www.postandcourier.com/news/2011/jul/13/these-shells-scary-to-find-on-beach/>

53. *July 13, Indianapolis Star* – (Indiana) **No one hurt in narrow escape from collapse of Eastside church.** The roof of an Eastside church in Indianapolis, Indiana collapsed July 12, the day before services were held, and when few people were around. Nobody was hurt when the 57-year-old walls came tumbling down about noon. A private contractor who had been hired to inspect a damaged ceiling apparently heard large cracking noises and warned church members to evacuate the building just before the collapse. "I saw the walls were being pushed out, windows were separating, and the corners were lifting," said the contractor. "Not even 15 minutes, and boom." Officials from the city's department of code enforcement refused to let anyone enter the building for fear of another collapse. They insisted plans continue to erect an 8-foot fence around the church to keep people out of the building. The official report from the fire department estimated damage at \$500,000.

Source: <http://www.indystar.com/article/20110713/LOCAL1803/107130319/No-one-injured-when-Eastside-church-collapses?odyssey=nav|head>

54. *July 13, San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **Stomach bug hits Camp Tuolumne, S.F.'s Camp Mather.** An outbreak of viral infections forced a shutdown of Berkeley, California's city-run Tuolumne Camp in the Sierra over the weekend of July 9 and 10, and threatened to close San Francisco's popular Camp Mather, where a number of people also fell sick. Public health officials are investigating a month-long outbreak of a gastrointestinal bug at Camp Mather. Tests pinpointed norovirus as the culprit at Berkeley's camp, where about 75 people reported symptoms over a 9-day period, most of them late the week of July 4. A much smaller cluster of cases was reported at Camp Mather. The cause of the Camp Mather illnesses is awaiting test results that may not be available until July 13 or later the week of July 11, said a public health officer for Tuolumne County, where both camps are located. He suspected the culprit behind the problems at Camp Mather will also be norovirus, which he described as "the most common pathogen involved in outbreaks of this kind."
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2011/07/13/MNT71K99J9.DTL>
55. *July 13, CNN* – (International) **Terror strikes Mumbai again with series of blasts.** Three bomb blasts rocked India's largest city, Mumbai, in congested areas during the evening rush hour July 13, killing at least 21 people, and injuring more than 100 others. The state's chief minister said it was too early to talk about suspects, but noted at least one of the blasts was "quite powerful." He warned the death toll could rise. India's home minister called the explosions a "coordinated attack by terrorists." He said forensic experts as well as security forces have been dispatched to Mumbai. The blasts occurred within minutes of one another in the areas of Opera House, Zaveri Bazar and Dadar, all busy commercial hubs teeming with people in the evening rush hour. They brought bad memories in a city that has suffered terrorist attacks before, including the assault by Pakistani gunmen that killed 164 people in November 2008. The U.S. President condemned the attack. "The U.S. government continues to monitor the situation, including the safety and security of our citizens," he said in a statement. As in past attacks, the blasts targeted congested areas. Mumbai police blamed makeshift bombs and said one was left in a car; another in a motorcycle. The area in Dadar is near a train station used by millions of commuters. In 2006, a series of seven explosions killed at least 174 people on crowded Mumbai commuter trains and stations. Zaveri Bazar is near a Hindu temple, in which some people were injured, a Mumbai police representative said. Zaveri Bazar was one of the scenes of a twin bombing in 2003 that killed 54 people and also came under attack in 1993 bombings that left 257 dead. Authorities said the targeting of such congested areas meant that the blasts were intended to inflict high casualties. They also issued high security alerts for the Indian capital, New Delhi, and the eastern city of Kolkata.
Source: <http://edition.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/asiapcf/07/13/india.blasts/index.html>
56. *July 12, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **3-alarm fire in Owings Mills engulfs 13 townhouses.** A townhouse complex in Owings Mills, Maryland erupted in flames July 12, and some 80 firefighters battled the fire. The 3-alarm fire, reported shortly after 2 p.m., affected at least 13 townhouses in the complex, a spokesman for the Baltimore County Fire Department said. The fire was under control by about 3:50 p.m., officials said. The fire burned in a stretch of 3-story houses that occupy "one long building."

Nine living units were affected, the department said. The intensity of the fire had precipitated a three-alarm designation, with more than 20 fire trucks, ladder trucks, and other equipment at the scene. Representatives of the Baltimore County Office of Emergency Management and the fire investigation division were also there. A statement issued by fire officials said 13 adults and 12 children were displaced, but there were no civilian injuries. One volunteer firefighter, from the Owings Mills Volunteer Fire Company, was taken to Sinai Hospital with heat exhaustion and dizziness.

Source: http://articles.baltimoresun.com/2011-07-12/news/bs-md-co-fire-owings-mills-20110712_1_3-alarm-fire-townhouses-volunteer-firefighter

57. *July 12, KFMB 760 AM San Diego* – (California) **Arson investigators: Zoo gift shop fire set on purpose.** Arson investigators are looking into who started a fire at the San Diego Zoo in San Diego, California July 11. It happened in the morning. A security guard saw flames and called 911. The fire destroyed the 1,200-square-foot panda gift shop causing \$700,000 in damages. The investigation will also include animal activists who may have spoken out against the panda exhibit. It took 25 firefighters about 15 minutes to extinguish the fire, which destroyed the shop, a fire official said. Investigators determined that the fire had been intentionally set.

Source: <http://www.760kfmb.com/story/15066663/arson-investigators-zoo-gift-shop-fire-set-on-purpose>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

58. *July 12, Port Angeles Peninsula Daily News* – (Washington) **Mountain goat census via helicopter set for Olympic National Park.** Weather permitting, a helicopter census of mountain goats will begin July 18 in the first tabulation of the potentially aggressive animals since 2004. The aerial count in Olympic National Park and Olympic National Forest in Washington will last up to 10 days, a park wildlife biologist said July 12. The helicopter will operate from a landing area at Deer Park southeast of Port Angeles, Washington, which may cause traffic delays, a park spokesman said. The survey is funded under a \$40,000 National Park Service grant and will be conducted in conjunction with the U.S. Geological Survey. The census is essential to manage a goat population that can be so aggressive the park the week of July 4 issued strict guidelines for human-goat interaction, and for how the park deals with intrusive goats that are seen as potentially dangerous, the biologist said. The park's revised 2011 Goat Action Management Plan includes advice for hikers to stay at least 50 yards from all mountain goats, and to urinate 200 feet from trails to avoid attracting the animals, which are drawn to the waste and can become aggressive when territorial.

Source:

<http://www.peninsuladailynews.com/article/20110713/news/307139990/mountain-goat-census-via-helicopter-set-for-olympic-national-park>

59. *July 12, Aurora Beacon-News* – (Illinois) **Crews respond to fire at Campana Building.** Batavia and Geneva fire departments responded about 11:45 a.m. July 12 to the report of a fire at the historic Campana Building in Batavia, Illinois. A Batavia firefighter said smoke was coming from electrical equipment in the building's basement, where battery charges overheated. The fire was small, and crews were on scene for less than an hour. The Campana Building is Batavia's only landmark property, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, according to the city of Batavia.
Source: <http://beaconnews.suntimes.com/news/6477857-418/crews-respond-to-fire-at-campana-building.html>
60. *July 12, KTXS 12 Sweetwater* – (Texas) **Some Sweetwater residents evacuated fire, while others remained behind.** The Nolan complex fire forced some people to evacuate near Sweetwater, Texas. The Texas Forest Service (TFS) reported the fire burned 3,880 acres and was 40 percent contained as of July 12. Officials said they are confident they can keep the fire from spreading. According to the TFS, the fire, just southeast of Sweetwater, damaged at least one structure and threatened between 200 and 300 structures. Besides some interior burning, the TFS said crews were keeping what was left of the fire under control. The cause is under investigation.
Source: http://www.ktxs.com/big_country_news/28527270/detail.html
61. *July 12, WWAY 3 Wilmington* – (North Carolina) **Live Oak fire update.** The North Carolina Forest Service was fighting a lightning-caused wildfire in the Live Oak community in Bladen County, North Carolina, that has been going since June 20. As of July 12, the fire had destroyed three homes and 11 outbuildings. The forest service is using two Flextracs to access swampy portions of the fire line. The Flextracs are equipped with water tanks and pumps. They transport water into areas not accessible by bulldozers or fire engines. Evacuations were ordered on two occasions, but are no longer in effect. The fire has burned 5,632-acres, and is now 70 percent contained.
Source: <http://www.wwaytv3.com/2011/07/12/live-oak-fire-update>

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Dams Sector

62. *July 13, Associated Press* – (South Dakota; National) **Army Corps to slowly taper Missouri River dam release.** Big releases of water that created massive Missouri River flooding should slowly begin to decline beginning at the end of July, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced July 12. Corps officials said they plan to reduce the water volume flowing out of Gavins Point Dam in South Dakota from its current 160,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 155,000 cfs July 30, and cut it to 150,000 cfs August 1. Heavy rain and a large snow melt from the Rocky Mountains have caused flooding downstream, covering more than 500,000 acres in seven states. The high water is expected to linger through August, putting pressure on levees that protect homes, cities, and farms. The Omaha division's chief of construction, said the Corps will trim the releases slowly so the dam can process water still coming in from upstream. The gradual drawdown is intended to prevent further erosion of flooded farmland and roads.

Source: <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20110713/NEWS/107130364/-1/NEWS13/Army-Corps-slowly-taper-Missouri-River-dam-release>

63. *July 12, Kansas City Star* – (Missouri) **Farmland in Carroll County, Mo., covered with water after levee breach.** About 12 square miles of farmland have been overrun with floodwater in Carroll County, Missouri, officials estimated July 12. The Root Levee, located in the southern part of the county, breached July 11, and the water threatened more than 30 square miles of land, and several homes. Crews with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Carroll County continue to monitor the breach closely. Officials said the levee and others that have been breached in the area could completely close U.S. 65. which was closed to one lane July 12. The customer relations manager with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) said crews placed 3,000 sandbags along a 1-mile section of the highway, which handles about 3,500 cars a day. The manager also said MoDOT was monitoring a potential levee breach in Chariton County, which could affect U.S. 24.

Source: <http://www.kansascity.com/2011/07/12/3010881/farmland-in-carroll-county-mo.html>

64. *July 12, KJCT 8 Grand Junction* – (Colorado) **Rain wasn't only cause for flooding; canal breach caused flooding even before storm hit.** The bank of the Highline Canal, north of Grand Junction, Colorado, gave way the evening of July 11, causing much of the flooding the area experienced. According to the Grand Valley Water Users Association, a drainage pipe that allows runoff from the bookcliffs to flow under the canal failed, which caused a leak to begin forming in the canal bank. A passerby reported the problem to authorities who warned the irrigation manager of the problem. He and his crew rushed to the scene and began trying to stop the leak. They also began efforts to drain the canal by stopping the water flow upstream from the leak. Before they could finish, the bank gave way sending water gushing out of the canal and toward northwestern Grand Junction. The flood took out trees and submerged roads, fields, and yards. It is uncertain when repairs to the canal will be finished.

Source: <http://www.kjct8.com/news/28523198/detail.html>

65. *July 12, Summit Daily News* – (Colorado) **Section of Coyne Valley Rd. in Breckenridge washed away.** High water, fed by torrential nightly rainfall the week of July 11, flooded the Blue River in Summit County, Colorado. The flooding swamped and eventually washed away a portion of Coyne Valley Road on the north end of Breckenridge the night of July 11 while posing a risk to utility infrastructure under the road. Officials said the road was closed around 8 p.m. July 11. Sometime between 10 p.m. and midnight, the water collapsed the bridge, washing culverts and chunks of the road downstream. The concern is power, communication, and wastewater lines running under the road exposed by the water. Though the town worked with Qwest, Xcel Energy, and Upper Blue Sanitation to secure the situation, Breckenridge officials said they cannot guarantee residents and businesses in the area will not experience interruptions in service as the rain was expected to continue July 12 and over the following days.

Source:

<http://www.summitdaily.com/article/20110712/NEWS/110719956/0/FRONTPAGE>

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