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- A major snowstorm affecting the Midwest caused multiple business and school closures as well as cancelled flights as some residents and travelers braced for up to 14 inches of snow. – *FoxNews.com* (See item [8](#))
- Las Vegas Boulevard was closed for most of February 21 after a drive-by shooting resulted in a fiery crash, killing three individuals, and leaving several others injured. – *Associated Press* (See item [11](#))
- An FBI report was released aimed to deter employee misbehavior by citing the misconduct, lewd behavior, and misuse of government property of more than 1,000 employees over the course of 12 years. – *CNN* (See item [26](#))
- The Federal Communications Commission released guidelines for wireless signal booster sales and use by more than two million consumers in an effort to address interference with wireless carriers and decreasing bandwidth from unlicensed devices. – *Ars Technica* (See item [36](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *February 21, Windsor Now* – (Colorado) **Details emerge from Windsor fracking fluid spew as company files incident report.** A report produced by PDC Energy on a February 11 incident in which 84,000 gallons of hydraulic fracking fluid was released from an oil and gas well north of Windsor, determined there was minimal to no contamination as tested in soil water and groundwater samples. The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will continue the investigation and decide if the company should be penalized for violations stemming from the event.
Source: <http://www.mywindsornow.com/news/4927268-113/report-company-event-incident>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *February 22, Bloomberg* – (International) **Japan says object, stuck valve cause of Boeing 787 leak.** Japan's transport ministry is blaming a tiny foreign object in the fuel tank as the cause for a fuel leak in a Boeing 787 while it taxied for takeoff January 8. They also blamed a second fuel leak a week later on a microswitch that failed due to unnecessary insulating coating and hair from a brush.
Source: <http://www.businessweek.com/news/2013-02-22/japan-says-object-stuck-valve-cause-of-boeing-787-leak>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Banking and Finance Sector

3. *February 22, Marlboro-Colts Neck Patch* – (New Jersey) **Colts Neck stock trader pleads guilty to \$28 million securities fraud.** A New Jersey stock trader was indicted for securities fraud. The stock broker who created fake loan agreements with corporations faces up to 25 years in prison.
Source: <http://marlboro-coltsneck.patch.com/articles/colts-neck-stock-trader-indicted-on-charges-of-28-million-securities-fraud>
4. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Vermont) **Dead Vt. College official target in \$440,000 theft.** A former active president of a Vermont college, accused of taking over \$400,000 to pay down mortgages and add to his personal banking account, was found dead with injuries in keeping with a self-inflicted gunshot wound.
Source: http://www.fox11online.com/dpp/news/national/Dead-Vt-college-official-target-in-440000-theft_96498353
5. *February 21, Reuters* – (New York) **U.S. charges adviser in fraud tied to microcaps, NY horse firm.** Authorities brought up criminal and civil fraud charges against a 73-year old investment adviser after he invested \$120 million of client funds in private or illiquid companies for more than \$3.35 million in fees and kickbacks.
Source: http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2013-02-21/business/sns-rt-us-usa-crime-fraud-tagliaferibre91k191-20130221_1_criminal-charges-million-of-client-assets-client-money
6. *February 21, Houston Business Journal* – (Texas) **Former Houston execs get 10 years for securities fraud.** A fraudulent securities scheme which drew \$30 million from investors, sold unregistered securities falsely claimed to be backed by life insurance policies and death benefits. Two executives of the company engaged in the scheme received 10 years in prison for their role.
Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/houston/news/2013/02/21/former-houston-execs-get-10-years-for.html>

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Transportation Sector

7. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Mattress on Pa. highway causes fiery 3-truck crash.** A mattress fell off a vehicle on Interstate 83 in York County, triggering a collision between two service trucks and a tractor trailer following behind, killing one and injuring two.
Source: <http://www.ktvb.com/news/national/192432181.html>
8. *February 22, FoxNews.com* – (National) **Major snow storm creates dangerous commute, canceled flights in Midwest.** A major snowstorm with heavy winds travelling through the Midwest caused the cancellation of hundreds of flights and

created commuting woes for travelers. Numerous businesses and schools were closed as some areas saw more than 14 inches of snow.

Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/weather/2013/02/22/major-snow-storm-promises-messy-dangerous-commute-in-midwest/>

9. *February 22, KZTV 10 Corpus Christi* – (Texas) **Accident shuts down Interstate 37.** Police are investigating a three-car accident which led to the closure of a portion of Interstate 37 in Corpus Christi. Five people were transported to the hospital for treatment.
Source: <http://www.kztv10.com/news/accident-shuts-down-interstate-37/>
10. *February 22, WRIC 8 Richmond* – (Virginia) **I-95 South reopens after 2 separate wrecks.** Two separate wrecks along Interstate 95 South, near Richmond forced the closure of all southbound travel lanes. One person was taken to the hospital and the roadway was reopened several hours later.
Source: <http://www.wric.com/story/21305037/i-95-south-closed-at-maury-street>
11. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Las Vegas Strip shooting: Police search for gunman, SUV.** Police are searching for a black SUV involved in a drive-by shooting which triggered a fiery crash that killed three and injured at least six others. Las Vegas Boulevard remained closed for most of the day, leading to severe traffic.
Source: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/02/22/las-vegas-strip-shooting-_n_2739522.html
12. *February 22, WMTW 8 Portland* – (Maine) **Train derails near Leeds.** Officials are investigating the cause the derailment of five train cars carrying feed near Leeds, Maine. Route 219 was closed for a few hours as worker managed to get four of the cars back on track.
Source: <http://www.wmtw.com/news/maine/central/Train-derails-near-Leeds/-/8791976/19032736/-/xa533sz/-/index.html>
13. *February 21, Environment News Service* – (International) **Chemical tankers collide in Gulf of Mexico.** The Bow Kiso, a 557-foot tanker, and the Chem Sea, a 385-foot tanker collided about 70 miles south of Galveston, Texas while proceeding towards the Houston Shipping Channel. The Bow Kiso suffered a fuel leak in the engine room but the crew was able to quickly divert the fuel to an auxiliary tank, potential avoiding further damage.
Source: <http://ens-newswire.com/2013/02/21/chemical-tankers-collide-in-gulf-of-mexico/>
14. *February 21, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **Derailment of CSX Corp. train carrying sulfuric acid causes scare in Cecil Co.** Emergency responders from Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Maryland responded to a CSX train derailed in Cecil County February 20. No material spilled out of the two cars that were carrying liquid sulfuric acid.
Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/breaking/bs-md-train-derailment-20130221,0,2050077.story>

15. *February 21, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Train derailment forces closure of Route 5 in West Springfield.** Authorities in West Springfield closed Route 5 between the North End Bridge and the Memorial Bridge, after two tanker cars from a CSX train derailed on the railroad bridge above the road. There were no reported spills from the tanker containing butyraldehyde.

Source:

http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2013/02/train_derailment_forces_closur.html

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Postal and Shipping Sector

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Agriculture and Food Sector

16. *February 21, Food Safety News* – (National) **PCA executives indicted for fraud, conspiracy in Salmonella peanut butter outbreak.** Federal authorities issued a 76-count indictment against four former executives from the Peanut Corporation of America (PCA) for their role in a 2009 Salmonella outbreak in peanut products that killed 9 people and sickened over 700 others.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/02/pca-executives-indicted-for-fraud-conspiracy-in-salmonella-peanut-butter-outbreak/>
17. *February 21, UPI* – (National) **Recall: Sausage may contain bits of gloves.** Smithfield Packing Company of Smithfield, Virginia recalled 38,000 pounds of pork sausage that may contain bits of plastic. The product, Gwaltney mild pork sausage, comes in 1 pound roll packages with a use by date of March 12.
Source: http://www.upi.com/Health_News/2013/02/21/Recall-Sausage-may-contain-bits-of-gloves/UPI-45141361505032/
18. *February 21, North Adams iBerkshires* – (Massachusetts; New York) **State issues countywide quarantine to fight ash borer.** Unless having undergone special treatment, the movement of wood outside Berkshire County will be restricted starting March 1, in an effort to counter the spread of emerald ash borer. New York has undertaking similar measures to limit the infestation of the emerald ash borer.
Source: <http://www.iberkshires.com/story/43317/State-Issues-Countywide-Quarantine-To-Fight-Ash-Borer.html>
19. *February 21, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Mondelez Global LLC conducts nationwide voluntary recall of *belVita* Breakfast Biscuit Apple Cinnamon and Chocolate varieties in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.** Mondelez Global LLC voluntarily recalled their *belVita* Breakfast Biscuit product, Apple Cinnamon and

Chocolate varieties, due to the possibility of them containing metal mesh fragments. The products were sold nationally and come in a variety of sizes, with expirations extending through September 2013.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm340676.htm>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

20. *February 22, Associated Press* – (New York) **27 arrested in copper theft bust in Binghamton.** After a five-month investigation, State police arrested and charged 27 people in connection with stealing copper from Greater Binghamton Health Center as well as surrounding commercial buildings.

Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/crime/article/27-arrested-in-copper-theft-bust-in-Binghamton-4299944.php>

21. *February 21, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) **Ky. attorney general sues maker of diabetes drug.** The Kentucky attorney general has filed suit against GlaxoSmithKline LLC for violating the State's Consumer Protection Act by misleading the public into believing their diabetes drug, Avandia, was highly effective while not disclosing the possible risks. The company is the target of an array of legal action against the drug.

Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/crime/article/Ky-attorney-general-sues-maker-of-diabetes-drug-4297278.php>

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Government Facilities Sector

22. *February 22, WPXI 11 Pittsburgh* – (Philadelphia) **Major power outage at Duquesne University cancels classes, displaces students.** A trip in a gas compressor caused the displacement of students from three of Duquesne University's residence halls and cancelled classes February 22.

Source: <http://www.wpxi.com/news/news/local/major-power-outage-duquesne-university-cancels-cla/nWW8q/>

23. *February 21, WBOY 12 Clarksburg* – (West Virginia) **East Park Elementary School evacuated for 2nd time due to odor in school.** East Park Elementary School was evacuated for the second time during the week of February 18 due to a stench in the

school. Officials cancelled classes for February 22 in order to continue conducting tests.

Source: <http://www.wboy.com/story/21301083/east-park-elementary-school-evacuated-for-2nd-time-due-to-odor-in-school>

24. *February 21, Port Chester Patch* – (New York) **Police: Facebook threat target New York governor, congressmen.** After posting several threats against a number of elected officials as well as the U.S. President on social media, police arrested a Rockland County man upon finding several illegal weapons in his home.
Source: <http://portchester.patch.com/articles/police-facebook-threats-target-cuomo-congressmen>
25. *February 21, WKYT 27 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Kentucky college put on lockdown after threat.** Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College was locked down February 21 after a staff member overheard a student making a threat against the school. The campus remained closed February 22 while officials investigated.
Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/news/headlines/Kentucky-college-put-on-lockdown-after-threat-192414221.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

26. *February 22, CNN* – (National) **FBI battling ‘rash of sexting’ among its employees.** A report produced by the FBI goes on to cite over 1,000 employees for misconduct, lewd behavior, and inappropriate use of technology over the course of 2 years. The bureau hopes the report will deter misbehavior in the future.
Source: http://www.cnn.com/2013/02/21/us/fbi-misbehavior/index.html?hpt=hp_c1
27. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Utah) **Utah trooper accused of making bogus DUI arrests.** A trooper with the Utah Highway Patrol was fired after being accused of falsely reporting DUIs on roughly 1,500 individuals over the course of her career. Investigators are evaluating the grounds of her DUI arrests and will determine if her reports were justified.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/crime/article/Utah-trooper-accused-of-making-bogus-DUI-arrests-4299501.php>
28. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Oklahoma) **Medical copter crash in Okla. kills 2, hurts 1.** A medical helicopter crashed in Oklahoma City February 22, killing two individuals and leaving a third in critical condition.
Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/us/article/Medical-copter-crash-in-Okla-Kills-2-hurts-1-4299977.php>
29. *February 22, Associated Press* – (Texas) **About 1,700 Texas inmates received**

unemployment. The Texas Workforce Commission determined the State paid out roughly \$3.4 million to nearly 1,700 Texas inmates that are deemed ineligible to receive unemployment benefits in accordance to the law.

Source: http://www.oaoa.com/news/state/article_5e51cd96-547d-55e1-af8b-c048f044ffbc.html

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Information Technology Sector

30. *February 22, H Security* – (International) **Certified online banking trojan in the wild.** An employee with Eset discovered trojans that could allow online banking access to spyware by successfully passing superficial tests. The flawed certificate and signature validations in question were produced by two companies that no longer exist.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Certified-online-banking-trojan-in-the-wild-1808898.html>
31. *February 22, Help Net Security* – (International) **OAuth flaw allowed researcher full access to any Facebook account.** A researcher discovered a flaw in Facebook's OAuth system that allows a hacker to access a user's accounts and permits them to do anything within there. Facebook has since patched the flaw, although the researcher claims several other flaws still exist.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14468&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+HelpNetSecurity+%28Help+Net+Security%29
32. *February 22, Softpedia* – (Florida) **Florida community-owned utility company JEA hit by DDOS attack.** A Jacksonville-based utility company, JEA had their Web site hacked February 17 and notified customers that their information was safeguarded. An external firm is conducting an investigation to target the source of the attack.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Florida-Community-Owned-Utility-Company-JEA-Hit-by-DDOS-Attack-331846.shtml>
33. *February 22, Threatpost* – (International) **Chrome 25 fixes nine high-risk vulnerabilities.** Google patched nine high-risk vulnerabilities in its Chrome browser as well as 12 other flaws with their release of Chrome 25.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/chrome-25-fixes-nine-high-risk-vulnerabilities-022213
34. *February 22, H Security* – (National) **NBC.com hacked and served up malware.** NBC.com was the target of the malware scheme, where the hacker embedded iFrames into the pages and infected the site as well as computers of those visiting the site. NBC has since cleaned up the malware although reports show affiliated sites were also affected.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/NBC-com-hacked-and-served-up-malware-1808273.html>

35. *February 22, Help Net Security* – (International) **Zendesk hack endangers Tumblr, Twitter, and Pinterest users.** Zandesk announced their system was hacked the week of February 22 and client information was taken, but they immediately patched the vulnerability and shut off access to the hacker. The company notified three of their customers of the breach who in turn emailed their users as a precaution.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14467&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+HelpNetSecurity+%28Help+Net+Security%29

Internet Alert Dashboard

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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

36. *February 21, Ars Technica* – (National) **FCC orders 2M people to power down cell phone signal boosters.** The Federal Communications Commission enacted rules governing the sale and operation of devices used to improve cellular phone signals: wireless signal boosters. The devices can cause interference with wireless carrier networks, further complicating the need for more bandwidth without regulating these devices.
Source: <http://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2013/02/fcc-orders-2m-people-to-power-down-cell-phone-signal-boosters/>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

37. *February 20, Modesto Bee* – (California) **Turlock police: 3 women sparked fire in attempt to kill man.** A fire at a defunct cheese factory causing an estimated \$5 million in damages was started in an effort to kill a man after a physical altercation. Twenty-nine firefighters from two counties extinguished the blaze using 900,000 gallons of water.
Source: <http://www.modbee.com/2013/02/20/2586723/turlock-police-massive-fire-was.html>
38. *February 20, Lancaster Intelligencer Journal* – (Pennsylvania) **Fire again strikes business on farm in West Earl Township.** A construction business was hit by a fire February 20, for the second consecutive day bringing more than 100 firefighters to a blaze which re-ignited from a February 19 fire. The fires damage to the buildings and equipment was near \$100,000.

Source: http://lancasteronline.com/article/local/817144_Fire-again-strikes-business-on-farm-in-West-Earl-Township.html

39. *February 21, WREG 3 Memphis* – (Tennessee) **Pipe bomb found in Mississippi home.** A drug tip led investigators to discover a pipe bomb and other paraphernalia. Investigators also found other bomb-making materials.

Source: <http://wreg.com/2013/02/21/pipe-bomb-found-in-mississippi-home/>

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