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- HP and DHS's Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) warned that some LaserJet printers manufactured by Hewlett-Packard (HP) have a security vulnerability that could allow remote data access to attackers. – *Threatpost* (See item [29](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *March 12, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Copper thieves hit substations in Union Parish.** Police are searching for criminals that stole over \$13,000 worth of copper wiring from a Claiborne Electric Co. substation tower in Marion.
Source: <http://www.knoe.com/story/21582267/copper-thieves-hit-substations-in-union-parish>
2. *March 12, Helena Independent Record* – (Texas) **5 Texas teens die in fiery crash with fuel tanker.** A vehicle that crashed into an oil tanker near Dumas, Texas killed five teenagers and left the tanker driver with serious injuries.
Source: http://helenair.com/news/national/texas-teens-die-in-fiery-crash-with-fuel-tanker/article_4fc77696-f720-519e-8d87-d737939c3475.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

3. *March 12, Lexington Herald-Leader* – (Kentucky) **Families allowed home after crews contain chemical leak in Jessamine County.** Residents and commercial buildings near Aulick Chemical Solutions in Jessamine County, Tennessee were evacuated for several hours before being allowed back into their homes, due to a leak from a recently received 2,400-gallon tank mixture of nitric acid.
Source: <http://www.kentucky.com/2013/03/11/2553072/hazmat-crew-trying-to-contain.html>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

4. *March 11, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Nuclear plant's shutdown set for May 7.** The owners of the Kewaunee Power Station will permanently shut down the 560-megawatt nuclear power plant May 7 due to economic pressures.
Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/business/nuclear-plants-shutdown-set-for-may-7-rt94841-197210631.html>
5. *March 8, Reuters* – (Michigan) **Entergy Michigan Palisades reactor may have to shut by 2017.** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission stated that Entergy Corp must address a reactor vessel metal issue at the Palisades plant by 2017 or shut down the reactor.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/03/08/utilities-entergy-palisades-idUSL1N0C0B0520130308>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

6. *March 11, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **US Labor Department's OSHA cites Smithville Manufacturing for 21 violations at Wooster, Ohio, facility after worker's finger is amputated.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited automotive parts manufacturer Smithville Manufacturing Co. with 21 health and safety violations after a worker's finger was amputated at the plant. Proposed fines totaled \$65,800.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=23754

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Banking and Finance Sector

7. *March 11, KARE 11 Minneapolis-St. Paul* – (Minnesota) **St. Paul man pleads guilty in bank fraud scheme.** A man pleaded guilty to bank fraud in a scheme where he used stolen checks to deposit money from victim accounts and then withdraw cash, causing losses to various banks between \$30,000 and \$400,000.

Source: <http://www.kare11.com/news/article/1015649/391/St-Paul-man-pleads-guilty-in-bank-fraud-scheme>

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Transportation, Postal, and Shipping Sector

8. *March 12, Charlotte Observer* – (North Carolina) **Pizza truck spill clogs I-77.** An overturned truck carrying frozen pizzas caused multiple lanes on Interstate 77 to close for several hours.

Source: <http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2013/03/12/3909247/pizza-truck-spill-clogs-i-77.html>

9. *March 11, WNCT 9 Morehead City* – (North Carolina) **Water line break collapses road in Havelock.** A March 10 water pipe leak led to a road collapse which kept crews searching for the source of the leak until March 11. The road was expected to be closed for a few days to allow repairs to the road which now has a 20-ft wide, 15-ft deep hole.

Source: <http://www.wnct.com/story/21570798/water>

10. *March 11, New Jersey Herald* – (New Jersey) **Ruptured gas line shuts down Route**

23 for eight hours. A section of Route 23 in Hamburg, New Jersey was shut down for eight hours March 11 due to emergency officials responding to a ruptured gas line.
Source: <http://www.njherald.com/story/21579431/ruptured-gas-line-shuts-route-23>

11. *March 11, Seguin Gazette* – (Texas) **Hydrogen peroxide spill closes road.** A tractor trailer carrying about 38,000 pounds of hydrogen peroxide toppled over causing some of the chemicals to leak onto a roadway intersection in Guadalupe County. The intersection was closed for 10 hours as emergency crews cleaned the spill.
Source: http://seguingazette.com/news/article_b28fe720-8aa1-11e2-9b12-0019bb2963f4.html

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Agriculture and Food Sector

12. *March 12, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **Pinto Bean Recall.** Approximately 4,734 cases of whole pinto beans were voluntarily recalled by Chicago-based La Preferida. Around 420 of its 29-ounce cans may not have been fully processed and contents could be contaminated by spoilage organisms or pathogens as a result.
Source: <http://www.ksdk.com/news/article/368526/3/56000-cans-of-pinto-beans-recalled>
13. *March 11, Food Safety News* – (Oklahoma) **Oklahoma Mexican restaurant was source of Salmonella outbreak.** A restaurant serving Mexican food in Oklahoma has been linked to a Salmonella outbreak that sickened six people over the past two months.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/03/oklahoma-mexican-restaurant-was-source-of-salmonella-outbreak/#.UT8VAxykrMg>
14. *March 11, Arizona Daily Sun* – (Arizona) **Citrus quarantine area expanded in western Arizona.** State Agriculture Officials in Arizona expanded a quarantine to prevent the spread of an insect that carries a disease that threatens citrus plants.
Source: http://azdailysun.com/news/state-and-regional/citrus-quarantine-area-expanded-in-western-arizona/article_7339906c-5230-5b4a-a651-759931762f39.html

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Water Sector

15. *March 11, Burlington Time-News* – (North Carolina) **City reports sewage spill.** A wad of rags in a waste water pipe led to 133,825 gallons of untreated waste water being discharged into a tributary of Servis Creek, killing fish. Officials continued testing the water's quality after they used a high-pressure jet truck to clear the blockage and stop the overflow of raw sewage, which flowed for 2 ½ hours.
Source: <http://www.thetimesnews.com/news/top-news/city-reports-sewage-spill-1.109012>

16. *March 11, Associated Press* – (Iowa) **Several Iowa wastewater stations fail, discharge.** Fairfield’s new computerized wastewater system shut down March 10 and bypassed thousands of gallons of wastewater into Crow Creek. All but 300 gallons of 460,000 gallons of wastewater came from the system shutdown while the remainder came from a tree falling into a power line and cutting electricity to two other wastewater plants. Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/science/article/Several-Iowa-wastewater-stations-fail-discharge-4346213.php>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

17. *March 11, Associated Press* – (North Carolina; National) **Medical provider data lost by N.C. gov’t contractor.** A contracted employee from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services lost a thumb drive that held the personal information from roughly 50,000 medical providers nationwide. The thumb drive was misplaced en route to a company facility and authorities will notify those affected. Source: <http://hamptonroads.com/2013/03/medical-provider-data-lost-nc-govt-contractor>

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Government Facilities, National Monuments, and Icons Sector

18. *March 12, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Feds bust up \$100M NC crop insurance fraud ring.** A number of North Carolina farmers, insurance agents, brokers, and claims adjusters were part of a large fraud ring, stealing more than \$100 million from the government through programs that ensured crops. Forty-one individuals reached plea deals or plead guilty to claiming false losses on crops that were never damaged and using aliases to sell them off. Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/feds-bust-100m-nc-crop-insurance-fraud-ring-18708740>
19. *March 12, WAPT 16 Jackson* – (Mississippi) **State computer system back up, residents can again buy tags.** A March 11, statewide computer outage did not affect county services but did prevent Mississippi residents from conducting other business including purchasing license tags. The cause of the outage remains unknown. Source: <http://www.wapt.com/news/central-mississippi/State-computer-system-back-up-residents-can-again-buy-tags/-/9156946/19281026/-/64o7pxz/-/index.html>
20. *March 11, Nextgov* – (National) **New iPhone app may be fishing for feds’ TSP info.** A third-party iPhone app launched February 19 has led to officials warning military personnel of potential leaks of financial information after installing the application. Authorities believe the app may be targeting personnel in order to obtain information regarding their Thrift Savings Plan government retirement accounts.

Source: <http://www.nextgov.com/mobile/2013/03/new-app-may-be-fishing-feds-tsp-info/61796/>

21. *March 11, Santa Ynez Valley News* – (California) **Injured workers transferred to burn center.** An arc flash electrical explosion at Vandenburg Air Force Base led to two workers being transported to a hospital with serious injuries. Authorities are investigating the cause of the incident.
Source: http://syvnews.com/news/local/injured-workers-transferred-to-burn-center/article_d8a9a838-8a88-11e2-a071-001a4bcf887a.html
22. *March 11, Associated Press* – (Georgia) **Central Ga. school closed due to possible gas leak.** Warner Robins Middle School was closed March 11 after a reported gas leak. School officials are investigating the source.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Central-Ga-school-closed-due-to-possible-gas-leak-4344559.php>
23. *March 11, Associated Press* – (Iowa) **Iowa school bus carrying 11 kids crashes into home.** A school bus on its way to classes at Crestview Elementary School crashed into a home causing roughly \$95,000 in damages but left no injuries March 11.
Source: <http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2013/03/11/3908254/iowa-school-bus-carrying-11-kids.html>
24. *March 11, Associated Press; USA Today* – (Washington) **Military plane crashes in Washington State.** An E/A-6B Prowler took off March 11 from the Naval Air Station Whidbey Island and crashed in Washington. Authorities are investigating the incident and did not know the immediate fate of the 4 person crew aboard.
Source: <http://www.theleafchronicle.com/usatoday/article/1979427>

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Emergency Services Sector

25. *March 11, KTVO 3 Kirkville* – (Iowa) **Wapello County 9-1-1 calls to be rerouted.** A malfunctioning air conditioner that damaged telephone equipment led the Ottumwa Police Department and Wapello County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center to lose 9-1-1 capability and reroute calls to neighboring 9-1-1 call centers until repairs are made.
Source: <http://www.heartlandconnection.com/community/story.aspx?id=870674#.UT8luhzFVK>
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Information Technology Sector

26. *March 12, V3.co.uk* – (International) **Andromeda botnet resurfaces spreading malware in spam emails.** The Andromeda botnet has returned from inactivity to

spread spam containing malware and malicious links, researchers reported.

Source: <http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2254069/andromeda-botnet-resurfaces-spreading-malware-in-spam-emails>

27. *March 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **Zoosk asks users to reset passwords following mass leak.** The online dating Web site Zoosk asked some users to change their passwords after a large password dump was posted online containing Zoosk passwords, among others.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14581>

28. *March 12, Softpedia* – (International) **Pop-up browser flaw allows hackers to bypass lock screen on Samsung phones - video.** A researcher uncovered a method to unlock Samsung Note II and Galaxy S III phones, the third similar bypass method revealed in recent weeks.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Pop-Up-Browser-Flaw-Allows-Hackers-to-Bypass-Lock-Screen-on-Samsung-Phones-Video-336604.shtml>

29. *March 11, Threatpost* – (International) **HP, CERT warn of critical hole in LaserJet printers.** HP and DHS's Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) warned that some LaserJet printers manufactured by Hewlett-Packard (HP) have a security vulnerability that could allow remote data access to attackers.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/hp-cert-warn-critical-hole-laserjet-printers-031113

30. *March 11, Information Age* – (International) **Dallas is the phishing capital of the world, PhD finds.** A University of Twente student and computer scientist found that Internet service providers (ISPs) based in the U.S. channel the bulk of phishing attacks worldwide, and that ISPs based in Dallas carry more than any other city.

Source: <http://www.information-age.com/technology/security/123456879/dallas-is-the-phishing-capital-of-the-world--phd-finds>

31. *March 11, V3.co.uk* – (International) **Miniduke malware linked to Java and Internet Explorer 8 exploits.** Researchers found that the Miniduke cyberespionage campaign used exploits for Java and Internet Explorer (IS) 8 to infect target computers.

Source: <http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2253938/miniduke-malware-linked-to-java-and-internet-explorer-8-exploits>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Commercial Facilities Sector

32. *March 12, WTAE Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Man killed, two others injured in Fort Pitt Inn shooting.** Police arrested a patron of a North Fayette bar after he became angry, left, and then returned with multiple handguns and opened fire in the bar. The patron was subdued by two fellow patrons but not before shooting at least three including one who died, one who was critically injured, and a third who was shot in the arm.
Source: <http://www.wtae.com/news/local/Man-killed-two-others-injured-in-Fort-Pitt-Inn-shooting/-/9681086/19263064/-/81wguuz/-/index.html>
33. *March 11, Associated Press* – (California) **7 injured in fire at San Diego hotel.** An accidental fire caused \$1.3 million in damages to a three-story residential hotel in San Diego and led to 14 displaced residents and seven injured.
Source: <http://www.kswt.com/story/21572028/5-injured-in-fire-at-san-diego-hotel>
34. *March 11, Associated Press* – (Virginia) **Norfolk hotel evacuated due to carbon monoxide.** A bad heating unit located in a hotel basement was determined to be the cause of high levels of carbon monoxide which led to the evacuation of a Norfolk hotel.
Source: <http://www.wset.com/story/21572005/norfolk-hotel-evacuated-due-to-carbon-monoxide>
35. *March 11, WUSA 9 Washington D.C.* – (Washington D.C.) **13 shot on North Capitol Street NW in DC; 2 vehicles sought.** Washington D.C. police continued searching for two vehicles connected to a drive-by shooting outside an apartment building which left 13 injured, including one in critical condition.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/news/article/248211/158/Six-Shot-Outside-Northwest-DC-Apartment-Building->
36. *March 11, Chicago Sun-Times* – (Illinois) **‘Inert’ grenade prompts evacuation of NW Side thrift store.** A grenade was determined to be ‘inert’ by officers, but not before the reporting of the grenade prompted the evacuation of a store and a cordoning off of the street. The grenade was found in a pile of donated clothes.
Source: <http://www.suntimes.com/news/metro/18782616-418/story.html>
37. *March 11, WBNS 10 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Several people injured in apartment fire where residents jumped to safety.** An apartment fire damaged 14 apartments, led to multiple injuries, and caused \$200,000 worth of damage to the building. Fire officials have identified the location of the start of the fire but not the cause.

Source: <http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2013/03/11/columbus-apartment-fire-refugee-court-right-roads.html>

38. *March 11, WEAU 13 Eau Claire* – (Wisconsin) **Apartment fire leaves two firefighters injured, “significant damage” to building.** Fire officials are unsure of the cause or the amount of damage an apartment fire in River Falls, which led to the injuries of two firefighters. Thirty firefighters from three engines fought the blaze that started in the middle unit of a triplex and kept the fire from spreading to other units.
Source: <http://www.weau.com/home/headlines/Apartment-fire-leaves-two-firefighters-injured-significant-damage-to-building-197127701.html>

39. *March 11, St. Cloud Times* – (Minnesota) **Fire damages 24-unit storage building in Minn.** Fire fighters fought a storage unit building fire and were on scene for about 6 hours, facing difficulty from the contents of the storage units which along with strong winds continued to aid the fire.
Source: <http://www.firehouse.com/news/10892487/fire-damages-24-unit-storage-building-in-minn>

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