

Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 27 March 2013

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- A severe storm knocked out power to 50,000 customers in central Florida, impeding traffic and taking down service at a local radio station. *Orlando Sentinel* (See item 3)
- Close to 1,000 passengers at Reno-Tahoe International Airport had to go through security a second time because two passengers mistakenly entered a secure area. Associated Press (See item <u>21</u>)
- Research published by Websense reports that 93 percent of Web browser users are vulnerable to common Java exploits because they are not using a current version of Java. *Softpedia* (See item <u>34</u>)
- A March 25 underground natural gas leak led to the evacuation and relocation of a Phoenix Holiday Inn's 140 guests and staff. *KTVK 3 Phoenix* (See item 45)

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Energy Sector

- 1. *March 26, KHOU 11 Houston* (Texas) **HPD: VP stole more than \$300,000 worth of copper from employer.** Over \$300,000 worth of scrap metal and copper was taken from KenMor Electric Incorporated by the vice president of the company. He stole the materials from January 2012 to February 2013 and sold them for his own personal gain. Source: http://www.khou.com/news/local/HPD--VP-of-KenMor-Electric-stole-sold-more-than-300000-in-copper-from-job-199900061.html
- 2. *March* 25, *Bloomberg* (Louisiana) **Shell shuts U.S. Gulf crude pipeline after leak** in Louisiana. Less than 1 gallon of crude oil spilled out of a Royal Dutch Shell PLC pipeline that moves Gulf of Mexico crude to Houma, Louisiana before Shell sealed the leak in Terrebonne Bay March 23. The company will inspect and repair the pipeline. Source: http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-03-25/shell-shuts-u-s-gulf-crude-pipeline-after-leak-in-louisiana.html
- 3. *March* 25, *Orlando Sentinel* (Florida) **Fierce storms knock out power, uproot trees across area.** A storm producing high winds gusts knocked out power to 50,000 customers in central Florida, impeding traffic and taking down service at a local radio station.

Source: http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/local/breakingnews/os-weather-orlando-20130323,0,1036094.story

4. *March 23, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Worker found dead at DWP plant in Long Beach.** Investigators are looking into a death at the Haynes Generating Station in Long Beach. A Los Angeles Department of Water and Power plant worker was found dead March 23.

Source: http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-dwp-worker-found-dead-20130323,0,933640.story

5. *March* 22, *St. Cloud Times* – (Minnesota) \$15,000 in stolen copper wire is recovered. Police in St. Cloud recovered stolen copper wiring worth close to \$15,000 during a patrol stop. The bulk of the wiring was reported stolen weeks ago from a construction site.

Source: http://www.sctimes.com/article/20130322/NEWS01/303220019/-15-000-stolen-copper-wire-recovered?nclick_check=1

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Chemical Industry Sector

6. *March 25, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Pennsylvania) **Spray Products Corp. settles hazardous waste violations at Montgomery County, Pa. facility.** Spray Products Corp. was cited by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for allegedly violating the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the federal law governing the treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous waste. Spray Products

agreed to pay a \$25,000 penalty to settle alleged violations of hazardous waste regulations at its manufacturing facility in Pennsylvania.

Source:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/53FD9712FB17691885257B39006CC3CD

7. March 25, U.S. Department of Labor – (Pennsylvania) US Department of Labor's OSHA fines Reading, Pa., chemical distributor more than \$64,000 for safety, chemical hazards. Brenntag Northeast Inc. was cited by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration with 14 safety violations, including chemical hazards found at the company's Reading facility. Proposed penalties based on inspections from the federal government exceed \$64,000. Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEAS ES&p_id=23820

8. March 25, KLBK 13 Lubbock – (Texas) Battery truck flips off I-27 prompts hazmat response. HAZMAT crews spent several hours cleaning a battery acid spill and leaking fuel after a truck carrying batteries crashed on I-27 in Lubbock County. Source: http://everythinglubbock.com/fulltext?nxd_id=166632

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

9. March 26, Nuclear Street – (Illinois) Byron 2 reactor back online after stator **cooling pump repairs.** The Unit 2 reactor at the Byron nuclear power plant returned to service March 24 after it was offline due to a generator cooling pump leak.

http://nuclearstreet.com/nuclear_power_industry_news/b/nuclear_power_news/archive/ 2013/03/26/byron-2-reactor-back-online-after-stator-cooling-pump-repairs-032601.aspx

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

10. March 26, U.S. Department of Labor – (Ohio) US Labor Department's OSHA cites Kyklos Bearings International for failing to comply with asbestos removal standards at Sandusky, Ohio, plant. Kyklos Bearings was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for 13 serious safety violations related to asbestos regulations at its Sandusky plant.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEAS ES&p_id=23823

11. March 25, Edmunds.com – (National) 2012-'13 Nissan NV recalled for rollaway risk.

Nissan announced the recall of 18,880 model year 2012 and 2013 NV vehicles due to a transmission defect that may let the vehicle roll away when the transmission appears to be set in 'park'.

Source: http://www.edmunds.com/car-news/2012-13-nissan-nv-recalled-for-rollaway-risk.html

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Banking and Finance Sector

12. *March 25*, *Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Tax scam allegedly run from Minnesota prison.** The IRS and other authorities are investigating a tax refund fraud scheme allegedly run by Minnesota prison inmates and their not-incarcerated accomplices. The investigation involves hundreds of falsified tax returns from between 2006 and 2012.

Source: http://www.startribune.com/local/199958841.html

13. *March 25, KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **9 arrested for identity theft, credit card fraud after multi-agency raid.** Authorities raided residences in Harris, Fort Bend, and Waller counties and arrested nine Cuban nationals accused of running an identity theft and credit card fraud ring. Hundreds of cards as well as encoding equipment and personal information were seized during the raids.

Source: http://www.khou.com/news/crime/9-arrested-after-multi-agency-raid-for-identity-theft-credit-card-fraud--199934531.html

14. *March 25, Sacramento Business Journal* – (California) **Ex-Sacramento loan officer suspected of mortgage fraud.** A former Sacramento loan officer was indicted and accused of originating \$5 million in loans for a mortgage fraud scheme that involved straw buyers and led to the foreclosure of eight houses.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/news/2013/03/25/ex-loan-officersuspected-of-mortgage.html}$

15. *March* 25, *Atlanta Journal Constitution* – (Georgia; Colorado) 'Clearinghouse Bandit' believed to be in Atlanta area. The FBI stated that the suspect known as the "Clearinghouse Bandit," wanted for 13 bank robberies in Colorado, may now be in the Atlanta area.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.ajc.com/news/news/clearing-house-bandit-believed-to-be-in-\underline{atlanta-ar/nW38L/}}$

16. March 21 Wall Street Journal – (International) Web money gets laundering rule. The

U.S. Department of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network announced that it will apply money laundering regulations to virtual currencies such as Bitcoin due to concern regarding their use in funding illicit activities.

Source:

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424127887324373204578374611351125202.htm 1?mod=WSJ_Tech_LEFTTopNews

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Transportation Sector

17. *March 25*, *Associated Press* – (National) **Spring snowstorm hits central States**, **pushes east.** More than 500 flights were cancelled and various traffic accidents were reported throughout Midwest and eastern States as a result of a wide-ranging severe storm.

Source: http://weather.yahoo.com/spring-snowstorm-hits-central-states-pushes-east-085406171.html

- 18. *March 25, Perry Hall Patch* (Maryland) **Salt truck downs power lines affecting Perry Hall, Kingsville drivers.** Maryland State Highway Administration officials closed a throughway near the Perry Hall and Kingsville border for several hours as they worked to repair damage caused by a salt truck that struck power lines. Source: http://perryhall.patch.com/articles/salt-truck-downs-power-lines-affecting-perry-hall-kingsville-drivers
- 19. *March 25, Associated Press* (California) **Fake bag of explosives triggers evacuations near LA.** A bag filled with fake explosives being used as a prop during a training exercise, caused businesses and streets to be evacuated and shut down for about three hours. The bag was to be removed from the buses after the exercise, but was mistakenly left as the buses were placed back in service.

 Source: http://www.local15tv.com/news/national/story/Fake-bag-of-explosives-triggers-evacuations-near-L/BZXvmoxX1EaJe2JnBZguTg.cspx
- 20. *March* 25, *Associated Press* (Washington) **Port of Tacoma shuts down again after worker dies in accident.** Operations at the Port of Tacoma were halted for 24 hours following the death of a longshore worker. This is the second death in March that has caused the shutdown of a port terminal in Tacoma.

Source: http://www.oregonlive.com/pacific-northwest-news/index.ssf/2013/03/port_of_tacoma_shuts_down_agai.html

21. *March* 25, *Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Flights delayed after Reno airport security breach; incident prompted by "innocent mistake."** Around 1,000 passengers at Reno-Tahoe International Airport had to go through security a second time because two passengers mistakenly entered a secure area. Flights were also delayed for over an hour because of the security breach.

Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/travel/flights-delayed-after-reno-

airport-security-breach-incident-prompted-by-innocent-mistake/2013/03/25/29b55a54-957b-11e2-95ca-dd43e7ffee9c_story.html

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Agriculture and Food Sector

22. *March* 25, *Food Safety News* – (National) **Failure to remove vertebral column brings rib eye recall.** Triple J. Family Farms issued a recall of roughly 15,270 pounds of bone-in rib eye products March 25 because the bovine's vertebral column may not have been completely removed. Not removing the vertebral column in cattle 30 months of age or older violates regulations to control Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/03/failure-to-remove-vertebral-column-brings-rib-eye-recall/#.UVGKWhykrMg

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Water Sector

23. *March 26, WCTV 2 Tallahassee* – (Georgia) **Valdosta residents fight ongoing battle against sewage.** March 23 heavy rains in Valdosta/Lowndes County left significant sewage spills at five sewer manhole sites and the Withlacoochee sewage treatment plant, discharging solids in excess of one and one half times the permitted maximum. Sewage discharges from the manholes totaled 720,000 gallons while the sewage plant's spill volume was the total flow through the facility on March 23, or 8,327,000 gallons. Source: http://www.wctv.tv/news/headlines/Major--199898751.html?ref=751

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

- 24. *March* 25, *Salt Lake Tribune* (Utah) **Granger Clinic may have lost patients'** appointment documents. Federal health officials were notified of a possible data breach after Granger Medical Clinic discovered roughly 2,600 medical appointment records scheduled for shredding went missing. The clinic launched an investigation when the records were discovered missing in January and notified patients March 22. Source: http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/56048214-78/records-clinic-medical-breach.html.csp
- 25. *March* 25, *Macon Telegraph* (Georgia) 8 residents, 3 staff taken to hospital after east Macon nursing home fire. Firefighters worked for over 4 hours to put out a fire in an area of the Rosewood Nursing Center in east Macon. Eight resident and 3 staff members were treated at a local hospital before being transported back to the nursing

home.

Source: http://www.macon.com/2013/03/25/2411112/east-macon-nursing-home-

evacuated.html

For additional stories, see items $\underline{28}$ and $\underline{30}$

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Government Facilities Sector

26. March 26, Softpedia – (Texas) Two journalism sites of the University of Texas at Austin hit by massive cyberattack. Officials at the University of Texas at Austin are investigating a March 11 cyberattack that took down two of their journalism Web sites before being restored. The sites were quarantined and engineers traced the origin to computers located in Russia.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Two-Journalism-Sites-of-the-University-of-Texas-at-Austin-Hit-by-Massive-Cyberattack-340277.shtml

27. March 26, Associated Press; WJAR 10 Providence – (Rhode Island) RI health officials investigating after at least 25 West Warwick students fall ill after dance. Health officials are investigating after more than 25 girls from Greenbush Elementary School fell ill with norovirus-like symptoms after a dance the weekend of March 23. Source:

 $\underline{http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/0a79020bf5764087818a7de37a2b439c/RI-Sick-Students}$

- 28. *March* 25, *eSecurity Planet* (Mississippi) University of Mississippi Medical Center admits security breach. Personal information of patients from the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) was potentially exposed after a data breach impacting patients seen at the medical center between 2008 and January 2013. UMMC was notified January 22 after a laptop used by a clinician was missing. Source: http://www.esecurityplanet.com/network-security/university-of-mississippi-medical-center-admits-security-breach.html
- 29. *March* 25, *WPTV* 5 *West Palm Beach* (Florida) Fort Pierce wildfire: Fight may be far from over in Fort Pierce. Over 1,000 people were evacuated in Fort Pierce as a wildfire burned through 200 acres before firefighters reached 90 percent containment March 25.

Source: http://www.wptv.com/dpp/news/region_st_lucie_county/fort_pierce/fire-fight-may-be-far-from-over-in-fort-pierce

30. *March 25, Oregon Public Broadcasting* – (Oregon) **OHSU contacts more than 4,000 patients over stolen information.** Oregon Health & Science University contacted over 4,000 patients after a laptop containing unencrypted patient records was stolen from a surgeons home. The university is offering free identity theft monitoring for 17 individuals whose Social Security numbers were compromised and has enacted stronger encryption requirements.

Source: http://www.opb.org/news/article/ohsu-contacts-more-than-4000-patients-over-stolen-information/

31. *March* 24, *Houston Chronicle* – (Texas) Missing virus vial raises concerns at UTMB facility. Officials at the University of Texas Medical Branch are searching for a missing vial containing less than a quarter of a teaspoon of the Guanarito virus. The vial was discovered missing during a routine internal inspection and lab officials believe there was no breach or wrongdoing involved.

Source: http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/Missing-virus-vial-raises-concerns-at-UTMB-4380346.php

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Emergency Services Sector

32. *March 26*, *WFTS 28 Tampa-St. Petersburg* – (Florida) **Police cruiser stolen from officer's driveway.** Police are searching for the criminal that stole a St. Petersburg police officer's unmarked cruiser from his driveway and drove into Lake Maggiore March 25. Several items were missing when firefighters recovered the vehicle, including a Glock handgun, an AR-15 rifle, and ammunition.

http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/region_south_pinellas/st_petersburg/police-cruiser-stolen-from-officers-driveway

33. *March 25*, *WBND 57 South Bend* – (Indiana) **Police, fire dealing with communication outage.** Firefighters and police in South Bend have no computerized communication with the city's 9-1-1 dispatch center after the system went down March 25. Authorities are working to resolve the issue as the break in the system has put a hindrance on both departments' report processing.

Source: http://www.abc57.com/home/top-stories/Police-fire-dealing-with-communication-outage-199924521.html

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Information Technology Sector

34. *March* 26, *Softpedia* – (International) **Websense: Over 93% of endpoints vulnerable to latest Java exploit.** Research from Websense found that 93 percent of Web browser users are vulnerable to common Java exploits because they are not using a current version of Java, making them easy targets for unsophisticated attackers using Cool or other exploit kits.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Websense-Over-93-of-Endpoints-Vulnerable-to-Latest-Java-Exploit-340306.shtml

35. March 26, Help Net Security – (International) Activists now targeted with trojanized

backdoor apps. Researchers from Kaspersky Lab identified a targeted attack on Uyghur and Tibetan activists that sends a malicious backdoor Android app to targets' mobile devices, the first use the researchers have seen of a targeted attack against mobile devices.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2446

- 36. *March* 25, *Softpedia* (International) **Grum spam botnet is slowly recovering after takedown, experts warn.** Spider Labs researchers found that the cybercriminals behind the Grum botnet have begun reinstating command and control (C&C) servers, and spotted a steady increase in spam sent by the botnet.

 Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Grum-Spam-Botnet-is-Slowly-Recovering-After-Takedown-Experts-Warn-340125.shtml
- 37. *March* 25, *eWeek* (International) **Slow Android phone patching prompts vulnerability report.** A researcher released details on four vulnerabilities in Android on Samsung phones after having reported the vulnerabilities to Samsung in January. Source: http://www.eweek.com/security/slow-android-phone-patching-prompts-vulnerability-report/
- 38. *March 25, Threatpost* (International)Lime Pop emerges as the latest strain of Android Enesoluty malware. Symantec identified a new variant of the Android. Enesoluty data-stealing malware, spread through an app called Lime Pop. The group behind Enesoluty has been active since summer 2012 and has registered more than 100 domains to host the malicious apps.

 Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/lime-pop-emerges-latest-strain-android-enesouty-malware-032513
- 39. *March* 25, *The H* (International) **MongoDB: Exploit on the net, Metasploit in the making.** An exploit for the MongoDB 2.2.3 database that can allow attackers to inject and execute code was published by a researcher.

 Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/MongoDB-Exploit-on-the-net-Metasploit-in-the-making-Update-1829690.html
- 40. *March* 25, *The H* (International) **Weak keys in NetBSD.** The developers of the NetBSD Unix operating system released a kernel update to fix an issue where systems would generate weak, easily-cracked cryptographic keys.

 Source: http://www.h-online.com/open/news/item/Weak-keys-in-NetBSD-1829336.html
- 41. *March 24*, *Network World* (International) **Hackers steal photos, turn wi-fi cameras into remote surveillance device.** Researchers from ERNW demonstrated various methods to remotely steal photos, turn cameras on, and execute denial of service (DoS) attacks against Wi-Fi-enabled Canon EOS-1D X cameras. Source: http://www.networkworld.com/community/node/82716
- 42. March 24, The Register (International) T-Mobile patches Wi-Fi eavesdrop vuln. T-

Mobile patched a vulnerability in its Wi-Fi calling feature that left users susceptible to man-in-the-middle attacks.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/03/24/t_mobile_wi_fi_calling_bug/

Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at soc@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

43. *March 21*, *Associated Press* – (Oregon) Copper thieves cut phone, net service in Oregon town. The theft of copper utility cables from electrical poles left some 500 customers in Ruch without Internet and phone services.

Source: http://www.newstimes.com/news/crime/article/Copper-thieves-cut-phone-net-service-in-Ore-town-4373524.php

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Commercial Facilities Sector

44. *March 25, Columbia State* – (South Carolina) **Copper thieves create vandalism epidemic at Lower Richland churches.** Several churches in Richland County, South Carolina have been victims of copper and aluminum thefts since January 1, 2013. The total cost of the thefts exceeds \$100,000 thus far.

Source: http://www.thestate.com/2013/03/25/2693454/nine-lower-richland-churches-vandalized.html

45. *March* 25, *KTVK* 3 *Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Holiday Inn gas leak in north Phoenix forces evacuation.** A March 25 underground natural gas leak led to the evacuation and relocation of a Phoenix Holiday Inn's 140 guests and staff. Investigators discovered 100% saturation in parts of the hotel and kept the hotel and roads closed for several hours to reduce potential fires and explosions.

Source: http://www.azfamily.com/news/local/Gas-leak-sparks-evacuation-at-Phoenix-hotel-199850321.html

46. *March 24, KVLY 11, Fargo* – (North Dakota) **Boiler malfunction forces residents to evacuate.** A water main break backed up a boiler and led to the flooding and evacuation of an 18-unit apartment building in Moorhead. More than two dozen residents were offered assistance by the American Red Cross, who provided temporary

living accommodations at the Minnesota State University Moorhead campus. Source: http://www.valleynewslive.com/story/21778565/boiler-malfunction-forces-residents-to-evacuate

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