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Energy Sector

1. *March 27, Wheeling Intelligencer; Wheeling News-Register* – (West Virginia) **Bomb threat closes W.Va. 2.** Officials closed W.Va. 2 for 2 hours and evacuated workers after finding a note at a Dominion Resources natural gas facility indicating a bomb threat. The road was reopened after authorities determined the threat was not credible and workers were scheduled to return to the site March 27.
Source: <http://www.news-register.net/page/content.detail/id/583068/Bomb-Threat-Closes-W-Va--2.html?nav=515>
2. *March 25, Associated Press* – (Utah) **Chevron fuel spill in Utah much worse than thought.** The U.S. Transportation Department's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration issued a corrective order action against Chevron Pipe Line Co. requiring the company to gain government approval before their pipeline can reopen at only 80 percent of normal pressure. The action was the result of a split in a Chevron pipeline that spilled close to 27,000 gallons of fuel near the Willard Bay State Park.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/national_world&id=9039820
3. *March 25, KIRO 7 Seattle* – (Washington) **Road closed, homes evacuated as BPA facility burns.** Authorities evacuated a few homes and closed a street around a Bonneville Power Administration facility in Ravensdale March 25. An airport rig was brought in to foam the flames as firefighters kept their distance because the transformer was charged with a massive amount of power.
Source: <http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/bpa-facility-burns-releases-toxic-smoke/nW4LN/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

4. *March 27, Omaha World-Herald* – (Nebraska) **Fort Calhoun nuclear plant's new timetable: back online by late May.** The operators of the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station hope to have the plant producing energy by late May if they can receive approval from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The plant has been offline for nearly two years as owners respond to a list of safety concerns.
Source: <http://www.omaha.com/article/20130326/NEWS/703279898>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *March 26, U.S. Department of Labor* – (New Jersey) **US Department of Labor’s OSHA cites Bayonne, NJ, small arms manufacturer for lead, safety and health hazards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Henry RAC Holding Corp. with four safety and four health violations at its Bayonne facility and proposed fines of \$72,000.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=23841

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Banking and Finance Sector

6. *March 27, Softpedia* – (International) **“Dump Memory Grabber” malware steals data from ATMS and POS systems.** Researchers from Group-IB identified malware dubbed “Dump Memory Grabber” that can infect point of sale (PoS) devices and ATMs, steal customer account information, and send the information to a remote server. The malware has already taken information from some U.S. bank customers.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Dump-Memory-Grabber-Malware-Steals-Card-Data-from-ATMs-and-POS-Systems-340758.shtml>
7. *March 27, Boston University Daily Free Press* – (Massachusetts) **Malware involved in Blanchard’s credit card fraud.** Blanchard’s Liquors found malware in its point of sale (PoS) software at a store in Boston after customers complained of fraudulent charges, prompting an investigation from local and federal authorities.
Source: <http://dailyfreepress.com/2013/03/27/malware-involved-in-blanchards-credit-card-fraud/>
8. *March 27, Parsippany Patch* – (New Jersey) **‘Dapper Bandit’ faces 8 years for bank robberies.** The man known as the “Dapper Bandit” pleaded guilty March 26 to four bank robberies and one attempted robbery in New Jersey.
Source: <http://parsippany.patch.com/articles/warren-man-pleads-guilty-to-bank-robberies>
9. *March 27, Bloomberg News* – (National) **U.S. charges two in \$27 million insider-trading scheme.** A former Foundry Networks executive and a hedge fund analyst were charged in federal court for allegedly trading on insider information and netting \$27 million in illicit gains.
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-03-26/u-s-charges-two-in-27-million->

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10. *March 26, Wired.co.uk* – (International) **Five arrested in £1.7 million malware bank scam.** Authorities in Slovenia arrested five individuals for allegedly participating in a bank fraud scam that used remote administration tools (RATs) and keyloggers to make illegal funds transfers from several small and medium-sized businesses totaling around \$2.57 million.
Source: <http://www.wired.co.uk/news/archive/2013-03/26/slovenian-bank-fraud>
11. *March 26, IDG News Service* – (International) **Wells Fargo warns of ongoing DDOS attacks.** Wells Fargo stated that their Web site was coming under distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks March 26, but that most customers were not affected.
Source: http://www.cso.com.au/article/457405/wells_fargo_warns_ongoing_ddos_attacks/
12. *March 26, Forbes* – (International) **Fed hits Citi over money laundering problems.** The Federal Reserve ordered Citi to improve its money laundering detection compliance after finding inadequate controls, but did not choose to fine the bank.
Source: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/halahtouryalai/2013/03/26/fed-hits-citi-over-money-laundering-problems/>
13. *March 26, Help Net Security* – (International) **European ATM Security Team on fraud losses.** The European ATM Security Team (EAST) released its first European Fraud Update of 2013, finding that ATM fraud losses are migrating away from EMV Chip areas, with the U.S. the top location for these losses. It also noted significant increases in cash trapping incidents at ATMs.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14656>
14. *March 25, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (California) **Fraud trial: Guilty verdicts in multimillion-dollar Ponzi case.** Two individuals were convicted March 25 for their involvement in the \$142 million Stonewood mortgage and securities fraud scheme in California.
Source: <http://www.pe.com/business/business-headlines/20130325-fraud-trial-guilty-verdicts-in-multimillion-dollar-ponzi-case.ece>

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Transportation Sector

15. *March 27, KCOY 12 Santa Maria* – (California) **Highway 46 closed for hours after 5 car crash.** Highway 46 near Templeton, California was shut down for several hours because of a crash involving two semi-trucks and three cars that left 5 people injured.
Source: <http://www.kcoy.com/story/21801092/highway-46-shuts-down-after-5-car-crash>
16. *March 27, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Woman dies after semi collides with SUV on**

I-88. A collision between a semi and an SUV killed one person and shut down

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-i88-interstate-sugar-grove-aurora-butterfield-road-interstate-88-20130326,0,1568594.story>

17. *March 27, WSIL 3 Harrisburg* – (Illinois) **Fatal propane tanker crash, explosion.** A propane tanker crashed into a coal truck in southwestern Illinois causing a massive explosion which prompted authorities to shut down a portion of County Line Road to traffic and knocked out power to a nearby mining facility.

Source: <http://www.wsilv.com/news/local/Fatal-Propane-Tanker-Crash-Explosion-200109141.html>

18. *March 26, WNCN 9 Goldsboro* – (North Carolina) **Cary teen charged with half-million dollar fire.** A teenager intentionally set a fire that damaged a section of North Carolina's Cary Parkway and repairs are estimated to cost \$500,000. A portion of westbound lanes on the Cary Parkway has been closed until repairs are made.

Source: <http://www.wnct.com/story/21800131/cary-police-charge-17-year-old-with-starting-fire-that-damaged-culvert>

19. *March 26, KLAS 8 Las Vegas; Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Wrong-way crash on U.S. 95 leaves 1 dead, 1 critical.** Officials shut down several lanes on Route 95 southbound near Henderson, Nevada while they investigated a fatal accident that left one dead and another severely injured.

Source: <http://www.8newsnow.com/story/21793172/breaking-news-fatal-accident-on-us-95-at-auto-show>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

20. *March 26, Food Safety News* – (National) **FDA adds lionfish to list of fish that may carry ciguatoxins.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration created draft guidance for the fish processing industry listing the types of fish that have been found to harbor ciguatoxins, and recently included two species of lionfish that had not previously been named as a potential ciguatera fish poisoning threat.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/03/fda-adds-lionfish-to-list-of-fish-that-may-carry-ciguatoxins/#.UVLZ6BykrMg>

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Water Sector

21. *March 26, WNCT 9 Greenville* – (North Carolina) **13,370 gallons of wastewater spill into Greenville subdivision.** A sewer pipe failure with a 10-inch force main led thousands of gallons of wastewater to spill into a lowland area and tributary of the Tar River. Greenville Utilities worked for several hours to clean up the spill and get the

force main back in service.

Source: <http://www.wnct.com/story/21799807/more-than-13000-gallons-of-wastewater-spill-into-greenville-subdivision>

22. *March 25, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (International) **Michigan computer company owner sentenced for international environmental, counterfeiting crimes.** The owner of a Michigan computer company and his company were sentenced for trafficking in counterfeit goods and services and violating environmental laws by disposing of hazardous waste without a permit. The owner was sentenced to 30 months in prison with a \$10,000 fine and his company received a \$2 million fine with \$10,839 in restitution to its Michigan landlord.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/8BF5B25140321E9885257B39005A6BB5>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

23. *March 26, U.S. Department of Labor* – (New York) **US Labor Department's OSHA cites Newburgh, NY, medical practice for inadequate worker safeguards against bloodborne pathogen hazards.** Orange Medical Care P.C. was cited by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration for failing to protect its workers against bloodborne pathogen hazards and failing to set effective safeguards for medical devices and supplies. The medical practice was fined \$44,800 and reprimanded for their risky standards.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=23829

24. *March 26, Examiner.com* – (Georgia) **One woman killed, one injured in fire at DeKalb County nursing home.** A two-alarm fire at Meadowbrook Nursing Home left one woman dead and her roommate injured in a blaze that was accidentally started by one of the woman smoking a cigarette near an oxygen tank that exploded.

Source: <http://www.examiner.com/article/one-woman-killed-one-injured-fire-at-dekalb-county-nursing-home>

25. *March 25, Legal Newsline* – (Tennessee) **Nursing home to pay \$2.7M for false claims act violations.** Grace Healthcare, LLC and their affiliate, Grace Ancillary Services LLC settled allegations that they violated the False Claims Act by submitting or causing submission to the Medical and TennCare/Medicaid programs for \$2.7 million. Allegedly the nursing home manager and its affiliate provided unnecessary physical, occupational, and speech therapy to several facilities to meet their goal for Medicare revenue from 2007 to June 2011.

Source: <http://legalnewsline.com/news/federal-government/240374-nursing-home-to-pay-2-7m-for-false-claims-act-violations>

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Government Facilities Sector

26. *March 26, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Anonymous threat prompts evacuation at University of Texas at El Paso.** The University of Texas at El Paso issued a campus-wide evacuation March 26 after receiving word of a bomb threat. School officials assured there was no immediate danger and that the evacuation was ordered as a precaution.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2013/03/26/anonymous-threat-prompts-evacuation-at-university-texas-at-el-paso/>
27. *March 26, Maine Today* – (Maine) **Kennebec Valley Community College evacuated, classes cancelled.** A bomb threat found in a restroom prompted the evacuation and cancellation of classes at Kennebec Valley Community College March 26. Police conducted a search and, after several hours, did not find a bomb.
Source: <http://www.pressherald.com/news/Bomb-threat-at-Kennebec-Valley-Community-College.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

28. *March 26, KIRO 7 Seattle* – (Washington) **Overcrowding at Skagit County Jail becoming public safety problem.** Skagit County Jail is being forced to turn away non-violent offenders due to overcrowding and officials are considering releasing some dangerous felons to help mitigate the problem.
Source: <http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/overcrowding-skagit-county-jail-becoming-public-sa/nW5BH/>
29. *March 25, Washington Post* – (Washington, D.C.) **Youth steals police cruiser after finding keys in ignition, door unlocked.** While a Washington, D.C. police sergeant was responding to an emergency call, an individual managed to enter his unlocked cruiser and drive off before crashing a short while later. The sergeant had left the cruiser running enabling the juvenile to easily drive off; authorities are still searching for the individual.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/youth-steals-police-cruiser-after-finding-keys-in-ignition-door-unlocked/2013/03/25/a780b5ca-9583-11e2-ae32-9ef60436f5c1_story.html

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Information Technology Sector

30. *March 27, Threatpost* – (International) **Attackers shifting to delivering unknown malware via FTP and Web pages.** A report by Palo Alto Networks found that malware that goes undetected by antivirus programs has shifted primarily to Web-based exploits rather than email-based exploits, with 94 percent coming from Web browsing or Web proxies.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/new-report-confronts-unknown-malware-problem-032613
31. *March 27, Threatpost* – (International) **U.S. and Russia --not China-- lead list of malicious hosting providers.** According to Host Exploit's quarterly World Hosts Report, the U.S. and Russia ranked as the countries with the highest number of malicious hosting providers.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/us-and-russia-not-china-lead-list-malicious-hosting-providers-032713
32. *March 27, Softpedia* – (International) **American indicted for helping Anonymous with DDOS attacks on Koch Industries.** A Wisconsin man was charged for allegedly aiding an Anonymous group in distributing denial of service (DDoS) attacks against Web sites owned by Koch Industries in 2011.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/American-Indicted-for-Helping-Anonymous-With-DDOS-Attacks-on-Koch-Industries-340780.shtml>
33. *March 26, Dark Reading* – (International) **Honeypot stings attackers with counterattacks.** A researcher outlined in a paper how he set up a 'honeypot' to catch attackers and enabled the honeypot to install a backdoor agent on attackers' computers via a Java applet as a research experiment, revealing information on them.
Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence/167901121/security/attacks-breaches/240151740/honeypot-stings-attackers-with-counterattacks.html>
34. *March 26, Threatpost* – (International) **LinkedIn patches XSS and CSRF vulnerabilities.** Professional social network LinkedIn fixed cross-site scripting (XSS) and cross-site request forgery (CSRF) issues on elements of its Web site that were reported in January and March.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/linkedin-patches-xss-and-csrf-vulnerabilities-032613
35. *March 26, Network World* – (International) **Dirty smartphones: Devices keep traces of files sent to the cloud.** University of Glasgow researchers found that remnants of files uploaded to cloud services from smartphones are left on the devices, potentially allowing hackers to access the files or gain access to cloud services.
Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/032613-dirty-smartphones-268114.html>
36. *March 26, Threatpost* – (International) **Google fixes 11 flaws in Chrome.** Google released the newest version of its browser, Chrome 26, which contains security patches closing 11 vulnerabilities.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/google-fixes-11-flaws-chrome-032613

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Communications Sector

37. *March 25, All Access* – (Illinois) **Illinois stations return to air after fire in old transmitter building.** Three radio stations returned to the air March 23 after a March 22 fire destroyed the transmission cables and the transmitter building which housed them. Two of the three stations returned at low power, one of which will require 30 days to reach full power and 60 days for the AM signal.

Source: <http://www.allaccess.com/net-news/archive/story/116684/illinois-stations-return-to-air-after-fire-in-old->

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Commercial Facilities Sector

38. *March 26, San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **Alameda apartment fire displaces 6.** A fire burned several apartments on the upper two floors of a three story building in Alameda, caused water and smoke damage to first floor buildings, and injured a fire fighter. The estimated damages from the fire were estimated at \$1 million.

Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Fire-damages-Alameda-apartments-4385363.php>

39. *March 26, KTVK 3 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Natural gas forces hotel evacuation - again.** A Phoenix Holiday Inn was evacuated March 26 for the second time in 2 days after hotel staff smelled natural gas, called 9-1-1, and woke guests. An investigation of the hotel led to no evidence of natural gas on any of the hotel's four floors and the odor was said to be from residual gas left from efforts to clean up the March 25 leak.

Source: <http://www.azfamily.com/news/Natural-gas-forced-hotel-evacuation----again-200030001.html>

40. *March 25, Georgetown Patch* – (Washington D.C.) **Update: Pepco making repairs after manhole explodes in Georgetown.** A city block was closed for 2 hours after a manhole exploded, causing smoke and odors to manifest in a popular cupcake shop and prompting a short evacuation. There were no outages associated with the explosion and fire.

Source: <http://georgetown.patch.com/articles/police-manhole-explodes-on-33rd-street->

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