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- A DHS report revealed a spear-phishing campaign targeted 11 companies from the energy sector utilizing publicly available information found on their Web sites. – *Softpedia* (See item [1](#))
- Twenty-two suspects in a multi-State credit card fraud ring were held in two New Jersey counties April 3, including a county jail nurse. The ring is suspected of taking in nearly \$1 million per month via fraud. – *Jersey Journal* (See item [11](#))
- A federal grand jury indicted 12 individuals for allegedly conspiring to defraud the Internal Revenue Service by using stolen medical records to perpetrate identity theft, file false tax returns, and divert the returns to themselves. – *Federal Bureau of Investigation* (See item [14](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *April 5, Softpedia* – (National) **DHS Report: 11 companies from energy sector targeted by cybercriminals.** A DHS report revealed a spear-phishing campaign that targeted 11 companies from the energy sector by utilizing publicly available information found on their Web sites and creating malicious emails guiding recipients to malware attachments and links.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/DHS-Report-11-Companies-from-the-Energy-Sector-Targeted-by-Cybercriminals-343342.shtml>
2. *April 4, Reuters* – (Georgia) **Georgia Power Bowen coal plant shut after explosion.** Georgia Power shut down their coal-fired Plant Bowen station for maintenance work after an explosion April 4 took place at Bowen Unit 2 and left 4 with minor injuries.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/04/05/utilities-southern-bowen-idUSL2N0CR27Y20130405>
3. *April 3, Associated Press* – (Arkansas) **Feds send corrective order to Exxon after oil leak.** ExxonMobil Pipeline Co. received a corrective order from federal pipeline safety officials April 2 that prevents the company from restarting operations on the failed segment of their Pegasus pipeline that ruptured March 29 in Mayflower, Arkansas until the agency is satisfied with repairs and all immediate safety concerns have been addressed.
Source: <http://www.sunherald.com/2013/04/03/4569688/feds-send-corrective-order-to.html>
4. *April 3, Eastex Advocate* – (Texas) **Storm and copper thieves cause extensive power outage overnight.** Thieves stole copper wiring from Sam Houston Electric Cooperative's (Sam Houston EC) Hightower substation April 3 causing extensive damage and loss of power to homes and businesses for several hours.
Source: http://www.yourhoustonnews.com/eastex/news/storm-and-copper-thieves-cause-extensive-power-outage-overnight/article_e40f439a-9225-5217-994f-e42e9fbf456c.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

5. *April 5, New York Times* – (International) **Rat chase again bedevils Fukushima nuclear plant.** Workers installing wire nets at Japan's Fukushima nuclear power plant caused a short circuit that disabled a vital cooling system at one of the plant's spent fuel pool for 3 hours April 5.
Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/06/world/asia/rat-chase-again-bedevils-fukushima-nuclear-plant.html>
6. *April 4, Syracuse Post-Standard* – (New York) **Nine Mile Point nuclear supervisor fails random alcohol check.** A supervisor at the Nine Mile Point nuclear power plant in Scriba had his unrestricted access to the facility revoked after failing a random alcohol test April 3.
Source:
http://www.syracuse.com/news/index.ssf/2013/04/nine_mile_point_nuclear_superv.html

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

7. *April 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Georgia) **Aerospace Defense Coatings of Georgia cited by U.S. Department of Labor's OSHA for exposing workers to hexavalent chromium.** Aerospace Defense Coatings of Georgia's Macon facility was cited after an inspection by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration found three health violations and proposed penalties of \$83,160.
Source:
http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=23877

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Banking and Finance Sector

8. *April 5, Nashville Tennessean* – (Tennessee; National) **Memphis lawyer accused of being part of alleged insurance scam.** A lawyer for two men charged in an alleged \$20 million nation-wide health insurance was arrested in Memphis for his alleged role in the scheme.
Source:
<http://www.tennessean.com/article/20130405/BUSINESS01/304050104/Memphis-lawyer-accused-being-part-alleged-insurance-scam>

9. *April 5, Softpedia* – (International) **Ukrainian and Russian authorities arrest Carberp trojan developers.** Several alleged developers of the Carberp banking trojan were arrested by authorities in Russia and Ukraine. The trojan allowed the cybercriminal group, who operated remotely, to steal \$250 million in Ukraine and Russia alone.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Ukrainian-and-Russian-Authorities-Arrest-Carberp-Trojan-Developers-343142.shtml>
10. *April 4, Bloomberg News* – (National) **AIG among mortgage insurers fined by CFPB in kickback probe.** The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau announced that four mortgage insurance firms will pay \$15.4 million to settle claims that they paid lending institutions illegal kickbacks in exchange for business.
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-04-04/aig-among-mortgage-insurers-fined-by-cfpb-in-bank-kickback-probe.html>
11. *April 4, Jersey Journal* – (New Jersey) **22 people charged as part of credit-card fraud ring appear in Hudson County court.** Twenty-two suspects in a multi-State credit card fraud ring were held in two New Jersey counties April 3, including a county jail nurse. The ring is suspected of taking in nearly \$1 million per month via fraud.
Source:
http://www.nj.com/hudson/index.ssf/2013/04/22_in_credit_card_fraud_ring_b.html
12. *April 4, KXAN 21 Austin* – (Texas) **Austin developers committed bank fraud.** Two developers were sentenced April 3 for falsifying bank statements to fraudulently obtain a \$39 million loan to construct an office building in Austin.
Source: <http://www.kxan.com/dpp/news/local/austin/austin-developers-committed-bank-fraud>
13. *April 4, WLKY 26 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **5 people arrested with hundreds of fake credit cards in Clarksville.** Five individuals were arrested in Clarksville after they were found with 350 fraudulent credit cards in their possession.
Source: http://www.wlky.com/news/local-news/indiana-news/5-people-arrested-with-hundreds-of-fake-credit-cards-in-Clarksville/-/9718538/19622252/-/format/rss_2.0/-/10n574i/-/index.html
14. *April 3, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Georgia) **Twelve defendants charged with 115 federal tax violations.** A federal grand jury indicted 12 individuals for allegedly conspiring to defraud the Internal Revenue Service by using stolen medical records to perpetrate identity theft, file false tax returns, and divert the returns to themselves.
Source: <http://www.loansafe.org/twelve-defendants-charged-with-115-federal-tax-violations>

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Transportation Sector

15. *April 5, WTVR 6 Richmond* – (Virginia) **Parham at I-64 reopens after repairs.** A gas

- leak prompted southbound lanes of Parham Road at Interstate 64 in Henrico County to close for several hours. Crews worked overnight to temporary repair the leak and damage.
Source: <http://wtvr.com/2013/04/04/gas-leak-shuts-down-parham-road-at-i-64/>
16. *April 5, Associated Press* – (Virginia) **1 dead in charter bus crash in eastern Virginia.** A fatal crash involving a charter bus on Route 58 in Southampton County closed the road for an unspecified amount of time.
Source: <http://www.wric.com/story/21889480/1-dead-in-charter-bus-crash-in-eastern-virginia>
 17. *April 5, Martinsville Bulletin* – (Virginia) **Winter weather makes surprise appearance.** Severe weather caused around 20 accidents in the Henry County area. A Virginia Department of Transportation official stated that several accidents occurred along U.S. 220 in the area near the Bassett Forks interchange.
Source: <http://www.martinsvillebulletin.com/article.cfm?ID=37178>
 18. *April 4, New Jersey Herald* – (New Jersey) **Vernon crash leads to six hour road closure.** A motor vehicle accident closed County Route 515 in Vernon for around 6 hours April 4.
Source: <http://www.njherald.com/story/21882118/2013/04/04/vernon-crash-six-hour-closure-of-route-515>
 19. *April 4, WJZ 13 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **I-695 crash involving multiple cars & tractor trailer shuts down several lanes.** A serious accident involving multiple passenger vehicles and a tractor trailer closed several lanes on Interstate 695 near Parkville April 4.
Source: <http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2013/04/04/i-695-crash-involving-multiple-cars-tractor-trailer-shuts-down-several-lanes/>
 20. *April 4, Lake County News-Sun* – (Illinois) **Crash closes Route 59 during morning rush.** An accident involving an alleged drunk driver caused Route 59 in Lake County to be closed for about 5 hours.
Source: <http://newssun.suntimes.com/news/19271528-418/crash-closes-route-59-during-morning-rush.html>
 21. *April 4, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (California) **FONTANA: I-10W truck accident damages bridge, closes traffic lanes.** Two tractor trailers crashed into the Citrus Avenue overpass on Interstate 10 near Fontana, causing the freeway to close for 4 hours.
Source: <http://www.pe.com/local-news/san-bernardino-county/san-bernardino-county-headlines-index/20130404-fontana-i-10w-truck-accident-damages-bridge-closes-traffic-lanes.ece>
 22. *April 4, KTVU 36 San Francisco* – (California) **Spring storm triggers morning freeway chaos.** A spring storm front caused numerous accidents on San Francisco's

Bay Area freeways and delays at San Francisco International Airport.

Source: <http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/local/spring-storm-triggers-morning-freeway-chaos/nXCYY/>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

23. *April 5, Food Safety Inspection Service* – (National) **New York firm recalls additional frozen mini meals and other snack products due to possible E.Coli O121 contamination.** Farm Rich has expanded its recall of various heat treated, not fully cooked frozen mini meals and snack items, to more than 10.5 million pounds because of potential contamination. Seven people have been hospitalized out of 24 people known to have been sickened by the outbreak of E. coli O121 linked to frozen snacks from Farm Rich food products.

Source:

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_025_2013_Expanded/index.asp

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

24. *April 4, Glen Falls Post-Star* – (New York) **Glen Falls Hospital alerts patients of possible information breach.** Glen Falls Hospital notified over 2,300 patients that their records were stored on an unprotected Portal Healthcare Solutions, LLC server for more than 4 months. The company's site was taken offline and an investigation is underway into the company contracted by the hospital to transcribe versions of handwritten doctors' notes.

Source: http://poststar.com/news/local/glens-falls-hospital-alerts-patients-of-possible-information-breach/article_aba70836-9d6a-11e2-9a0c-0019bb2963f4.html

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Government Facilities Sector

25. *April 4, YNN Austin* – (Texas) **Driver license office still closed after Tuesday break-in.** The Driver License Office on North Lamar in Austin remained closed indefinitely while authorities investigated a break-in that occurred April 2. Police have arrested a man in connection to the vandalism.

Source: http://austin.ynn.com/content/top_stories/291289/driver-license-office-still-

[closed-after-tuesday-break-in](#)

26. *April 4, Burlington Times News* – (North Carolina) **Hospice notifies patients about possibility of breach.** The Hospice of Alamance/Caswell notified roughly 5,370 current and former Hospice and LifePath Home Health patients or relatives of a possible breach of their personal information after a February 24 break-in at the organization's office. Laptops as well as paper medical and billing records were taken during the theft.
Source: <http://www.thetimesnews.com/news/top-news/hospice-notifies-patients-about-possibility-of-breach-1.122077>
27. *April 4, CNN* – (National) **Secret Service head personal info on Internet, site claims.** The U.S. Secret Service and FBI are investigating a Web site that allegedly posted personal information about the head of the Secret Service.
Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2013/04/04/politics/secret-service-director-personal/>
28. *April 4, WDAF 4 Kansas City* – (Kansas) **Bomb squad determines no danger inside suspicious packages at Ottawa University.** Officials evacuated buildings at Ottawa University in Kansas for nearly 4 hours April 4 after three suspicious packages were found on campus. A bomb squad deemed the packages were safe after inspecting the bags.
Source: <http://fox4kc.com/2013/04/04/suspicious-package-forces-ottawa-university-into-lockdown-mode/>
29. *April 4, KBZK 7 Bozeman* – (Montana) **Health department investigating illness at Bozeman elementary school.** School officials at Emily Dickinson Elementary School are investigating what could have caused a large number of staff and students to be absent from school April 3 and April 4 with norovirus-like symptoms.
Source: <http://www.kbzk.com/news/health-department-investigating-illness-at-bozeman-elementary-school/>

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Emergency Services Sector

30. *April 5, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Investigator: Miss. murder suspect took detective's gun, shot the officer and then himself.** Authorities continued to investigate an incident where a suspect in an interrogation room at the Jackson Police Department took a detective's weapon, shot the detective, and then shot himself.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/chief-murder-suspect-shoots-jackson-miss-officer-in-police-headquarters-both-found-dead/2013/04/04/b2f93cf4-9d87-11e2-9219-51eb8387e8f1_story.html
31. *April 4, WCMH 4 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Radio and ammunition among items stolen from fire dept. truck.** The Columbus Division of Fire's bomb squad had their truck broken into April 3 and criminals took several pieces of equipment and credentials.
Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/21886250/radio-and-ammunition-among-items->

[stolen-from-fire-dept-truck](#)

32. *April 4, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Prison: Maximum-security inmates attack guard.** A maximum-security prison in Pollock, Louisiana was locked down April 4 after inmates attacked two guards leaving one with serious injuries and inflicting minor injuries on the other.
Source: <http://www.dailycomet.com/article/20130404/APN/1304040992?Title=Prison-Maximum-security-inmates-attack-guard&tc=ar>

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Information Technology Sector

33. *April 5, Softpedia* – (International) **Scribd hacked, some users' passwords possibly compromised.** Digital documents library Scribd announced that it found and stopped suspicious activity on its network, but that less than one percent of users may have had their passwords compromised.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Scribd-Hacked-Some-Users-Passwords-Possibly-Compromised-343161.shtml>
34. *April 5, Threatpost* – (International) **Skype malware stealing victims processing power to mine Bitcoins.** An ongoing Skype spam campaign that began April 4 infects users' systems to perform Bitcoin 'mining', using large amounts of processing power to create the virtual currency.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/skype-malware-stealing-victims-processing-power-mine-bitcoins-040513
35. *April 4, Threatpost* – (International) **Skype, Dropbox patch critical Facebook authentication bugs.** Dropbox and Skype closed an open direct vulnerability that could have allowed an attacker to access and control a user's Facebook account.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/skype-dropbox-patch-critical-facebook-authentication-bugs-040413
36. *April 4, Softpedia* – (International) **In 92% of attacks ZIP files are used to deliver malware, FireEye study finds.** FireEye released its Advanced Threat Report covering the latter half of 2012, detailing malware and methods of its distribution.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/In-92-of-Attacks-ZIP-Files-Are-Used-to-Deliver-Malware-FireEye-Study-Finds-342995.shtml>

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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

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Commercial Facilities Sector

37. *April 5, WISH 8 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Seven people escape early morning apartment fire.** A faulty furnace was believed to be the cause of an April 5 fire at the Marina Apartments which sustained \$150,000 in damages from the blaze and displaced seven people.

Source: http://www.wishtv.com/dpp/news/local/marion_county/four-people-escape-early-morning-apartment-fire

38. *April 5, San Antonio Express-News* – (Texas) **Firefighter hurt in fall at Medical Center blaze.** Firefighters battled a blaze for 3 hours April 4 which destroyed 27 units at Castlewood Condominiums and caused injuries to a building occupant and a firefighter. Authorities were still investigating and determining how many people were displaced.

Source: http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local_news/article/Firefighter-hurt-at-Medical-Center-blaze-4410250.php

39. *April 4, WEWS 5 Cleveland* – (Ohio) **Bowling alley Sto-Kent Family Entertainment Center evacuated due to carbon monoxide poisoning.** Sto-Kent Family Entertainment Center was evacuated and would be indefinitely shut down after 27 people were taken to area hospitals for treatment after suffering from carbon monoxide-related symptoms after a leak at the facility.

Source: http://www.newsnet5.com/dpp/news/local_news/oh_portage/bowling-alley-sto-kent-family-entertainment-center-evacuated-due-to-carbon-monoxide-poisoning

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