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Energy Sector

1. *April 15, WTRF 7 Wheeling* – (West Virginia) **1 worker dies from injuries suffered in Tyler County gas explosion.** A worker died from injuries suffered in an April 11 accident at the Eureka Hunter Pipeline operation that left two other workers injured after an explosion at the site.
Source: <http://www.wboy.com/story/21949055/firefighters-working-to-subdue-gas-well-explosion-in-tyler-county>
2. *April 15, Associated Press* – (Utah) **Chevron slapped with violation notice over spill.** The Utah Division of Water Quality requested Chevron to provide a report on cleanup operations and a response plan from a March 18 pipeline failure that spilled fuel in Willard Bay State Park near the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. The park is closed indefinitely as crews continue the site's cleanup.
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/chevron-slapped-violation-notice-spill-18952943#.UWwSkrXvtKA>
3. *April 12, New Philadelphia Times Reporter* – (Ohio) **Old oil storage tank ruptures near New Philadelphia.** Crews were on site for several hours working to contain a mix of oil and saltwater brine after an old storage tank ruptured near New Philadelphia, Ohio April 11. Authorities are investigating how the mix overflowed from a containment dike into two drainage ditches and into Beaver Dam Creek and claimed the age of the tank may have attributed to its rupture.
Source: <http://www.timesreporter.com/news/x633475228/Old-oil-storage-tank-ruptures-near-New-Philadelphia>

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. *April 12, KGO 7 San Francisco* – (California) **Man hospitalized after chemical spill in Newark.** A Newark lumber company was evacuated for nearly 4 hours after a spill of an unknown substance sent one person to the hospital.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=news/local/east_bay&id=9063063

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *April 13, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **Fire hits offices of AK Steel in Butler County.** A fire broke out in the offices of the AK Steel plant in Butler Township April 13 and was extinguished after 3 hours.
Source: <http://triblive.com/news/adminpage/3835706-74/butler-county-fire#axzz2QXjXVEOV>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

6. *April 14, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Wilmette police working with feds on credit, debit card fraud case.** Police in Wilmette began working on an investigation with the U.S. Secret Service after receiving several reports of out-of-State credit card fraud from residents who recently shopped at Treasure Island grocery stores.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/suburbs/ct-met-wilmette-credit-card-fraud-20130414,0,6075266.story>
7. *April 12, Amarillo Globe-News* – (Texas) **Woman pleads guilty to fraud in Pampa credit union scheme.** The former loan officer for the Pampa Teachers Federal Credit Union pleaded guilty to stealing over \$400,000 from the credit union by diverting payments, creating false paperwork, issuing loans in customers' names, and other deceptive means.
Source: <http://amarillo.com/news/2013-04-12/woman-pleads-guilty-fraud-pampa-credit-union-scheme>
8. *April 12, New York Times* – (International) **Former Credit Suisse executive pleads guilty to inflating the value of mortgage bonds.** A former Credit Suisse trader extradited from the U.K. pleaded guilty in federal court to fraudulently inflating the value of mortgage bonds during the 2008 financial crisis.
Source: <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2013/04/12/ex-credit-suisse-executive-pleads-guilty-to-inflating-value-of-mortgage-bonds/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *April 15, KWTW 9 Oklahoma City* – (Oklahoma) **Semi accident in El Reno kills cattle, shuts down westbound I-40.** Westbound lanes of Interstate 40 were closed for several hours April 15 near El Reno after a semi-truck overturned and killed several cattle being hauled in the truck's trailer.

Source: <http://www.news9.com/story/21977806/semi-accident-in-el-reno-kills-cattle-shuts-down-westbound-i-40>

10. *April 15, KRDO 13 Colorado Springs*– (Colorado) **Dust storm reduces visibility, closes stretch of I-25.** A dust storm on Interstate 25 led to accidents and delays for drivers commuting between Colorado Springs and Pueblo. Authorities closed a stretch of the Interstate April 14 for several hours when conditions became too dangerous for travelers.
Source: <http://www.krdo.com/news/Dust-storm-reduces-visibility-closes-stretch-of-I-25/-/417220/19745872/-/kr7sme/-/index.html>
11. *April 14, Salt Lake Tribune* – (Utah) **Propane tanker crash prompts West Jordan evacuations.** Authorities closed a road and evacuated several surrounding blocks in West Jordan April 13 after a propane tanker crashed and overturned. The road closure and evacuations lasted several hours and authorities are investigating the incident.
Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/56153662-78/holt-propane-tanker-accident.html.csp>
12. *April 14, St. Helens Chronicle* – (Oregon) **Fatal accident occurs west of Clatskanie.** A fatal two-vehicle, head-on crash on U.S. Highway 30 at Bradley Hill in Clatsop County prompted authorities to close the highway for several hours April 14.
Source: http://www.thechronicleonline.com/news/article_3cf9313e-a585-11e2-9070-001a4bcf887a.html
13. *April 13, Marin Independent Journal* – (California) **Driver killed in fiery Novato crash off Highway 101.** A fatal accident occurred in Novato after a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed northbound on Highway 101 veered across all the lanes to take the exit to Highway 37, struck a column, and became engulfed in flames. Authorities closed the off-ramp for about 3 hours until the occupant could be removed and the car taken away.
Source: http://www.marinij.com/novato/ci_23022063/driver-killed-fiery-novato-crash-off-highway-101
14. *April 13, Tampa Bay Times* – (Florida) **Pasco teacher accused in DUI crash that injured trooper.** A vehicle crashed into two police cars and a tow truck and clipped a State Trooper while driving intoxicated April 12 in New Port Richey. Authorities closed the road for 3 hours following the collision.
Source: <http://www.tampabay.com/news/publicsafety/new-port-richey-man-crashes-into-emergency-vehicles/2115000>
15. *April 12, MyRacineCounty.com*– (Wisconsin) **Threat of dam failure closes section of Highway 75 in Kenosha County.** Authorities closed Wisconsin Highway 75 between County Highway K and Wisconsin 142 in Kenosha County April 12 due to the potential of a nearby dam failing and flooding the road from recent heavy rainfall.
Source: <http://lab.southernlakesnewspapers.com/?p=8936>

16. *April 12, Miami Herald* – (Florida) **Key West post office evacuated over suspected hoax.** Authorities closed the Key West post office for most of the day after a worker opened a package containing a threatening letter and a suspicious white substance. Law enforcement officials suspected the incident is a hoax and launched an investigation. Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2013/04/12/3340975/key-west-post-office-evacuated.html>
17. *April 12, KOTV 6 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **Highway 66 reopened after two people killed in head-on collision.** Authorities closed both the eastbound and westbound lanes of Highway 66 near Kellyville for over 2 hours April 12 after a fatal head-on collision. Source: <http://www.newson6.com/global/story.asp?s=21963868>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

18. *April 13, WPIX 11 New York* – (New York) **Kosher food market infested with rats.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration seized about \$1 million of inventory from V.I.P. Foods, Inc. in Ridgewood because the building was overrun with rodents. Source: <http://pix11.com/2013/04/13/kosher-food-market-infested-with-rats/#axzz2QX1U9k9c>
19. *April 13, Food Safety News* – (National) **Deli meat Listeria recall expands to include 486,000 pounds of product.** The Manda Packing Company which recalled around 20,166 pounds of roast beef products during the week of April 7 expanded its recall to include 468,000 pounds of a variety of deli meats due to potential Listeria contamination. Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/deli-meat-listeria-recall-expands-to-include-468000-pounds-of-product/#.UWvnGrWkrG8>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

20. *April 11, Fond du Lac Reporter* – (Wisconsin) **Heavy rain forces bypass of Fond du Lac wastewater treatment plant.** Nearly 2 million gallons of partially-treated wastewater was sent the water to Lake Winnebago after heavy rains pounded the Fond du Lac area and overwhelmed the treatment plant. Source: http://www.fdlreporter.com/article/20130412/FON0101/304120097/Heavy-rain-forces-bypass-Fond-du-Lac-wastewater-treatment-plant?nclick_check=1

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *April 12, Des Moines Register* – (Iowa) **Chemical spill at West Des Moines clinic sends 13 to the hospital.** Over a dozen people suffered minor injuries at the Lakeview Family Medicine and Urgent Care Center in West Des Moines after roughly 8 ounces of the chemical phenol spilled April 12. Crews spent 2 hours mitigating and cleaning up the spill.
Source: <http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20130412/NEWS/130412011/0/SPORTS/?odyssey=nav%7Chead&gcheck=1>
22. *April 12, Missoulian* – (Montana) **Missoula Senior Center closed this weekend for fire, smoke cleanup.** An April 12 fire in an outbuilding of the Missoula Senior Center forced the closure of the facility for at least three days while crews worked to clean up and investigate the cause of the fire.
Source: http://missoulian.com/news/local/fire-crews-douse-small-blaze-at-missoula-senior-center/article_d8a5ceba-a38e-11e2-877a-001a4bcf887a.html

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *April 15, Boise State University Arbiter Online* – (Idaho; International) **Local teen charged in connection with Boise State bomb threat.** Authorities arrested and charged a teen in connection with a recent series of bomb threats in the southern Idaho area which targeted schools and business. The Boise Police Department announced the teen worked with an Australian teen that made the threatening phone calls to the sites using an online computer network.
Source: <http://arbiteronline.com/2013/04/15/local-teen-charged-in-connection-with-boise-state-bomb-threat/>
24. *April 14, KENS 5 San Antonio; KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **18 students treated after sipping from tainted water fountain.** School officials and emergency medical crews at Perales Elementary School in San Antonio treated 18 students after they drank from a water fountain that was tainted with cleaning chemicals April 12. The school has surveillance video that shows a young student spraying the fountain with cleaning supplies.
Source: <http://www.khou.com/news/texas-news/202850151.html>
25. *April 14, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **Official: University of Maine fraternity fire had ‘intentional human element.’** An April 12 fire at a University of Maine fraternity displaced 15 students indefinitely while authorities worked to clean up the site and investigate the cause.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2013/04/13/news/bangor/official-university-of-maine-fraternity-fire-had-human-element/>
26. *April 13, Associated Press* – (Virginia) **Virginia mall shooting suspect, reportedly tried to lure victims out of hiding; witness.** Two people were shot and injured April 12 at New River Community College’s satellite campus in Christiansburg mall by a

fellow student that opened fire. Police subdued the shooter within minutes and authorities are investigating the incident.

Source: <http://www.nydailynews.com/news/crime/virginia-mall-gunman-lure-victims-hiding-witness-article-1.1315775#commentpostform>

27. *April 13, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **2,000-gallon diesel fuel tank spills into Raritan River, killing 2 turtles in Bedminster.** A diesel fuel tank located at the New Jersey Department of Transportation's yard in Bedminster began to leak April 11, resulting in oil traveling through a storm drain to the south branch of the Raritan River. Authorities quickly contained the leak and began cleaning a nearby wooded area, removing any additional pockets of diesel fuel.

Source:

http://www.nj.com/somerset/index.ssf/2013/04/2_turtles_dead_following_diese.html

28. *April 12, KDFW 4 Dallas* – (Texas) **Feds say Texas man made threats on law enforcement.** Threats that were mailed in March to a Dallas federal prosecutor were sent by a man serving time in a Texas prison. Officials said the threats promised retaliation for prosecuting members of a Texas extremist group and are still under investigation.

Source: <http://www.myfoxdfw.com/story/21963999/threats-made-against>

29. *April 12, WTNH 8 New Haven* – (Connecticut) **Tolland High evacuated after students become ill.** High levels of carbon monoxide caused several students and staff members to become sick at Tolland High School and forced the evacuation of the building April 12. Authorities are investigating the cause.

Source: http://www.wtnh.com/dpp/news/tolland_cty/tolland-high-evacuated-after-students-become-ill

30. *April 12, Associated Press* – (California) **Facebook threat closes Santa Cruz Co. high school.** Scotts Valley High School officials cancelled classes and activities April 12 as a precaution after receiving an online shooting threat through social media.

Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2013/04/12/5338057/facebook-threat-closes-santa-cruz.html>

31. *April 12, WFMZ 69 Allentown* – (Pennsylvania) **Carbon County Courthouse reopened following evacuation.** Police spent about 4 hours searching the Carbon County Courthouse after a bomb threat forced the evacuation of the building April 12. Officials gave the all-clear after nothing suspicious was found.

Source: <http://www.wfmz.com/news/Regional-Poconos-Coal/Carbon-County-Courthouse-reopened-following-evacuation/-/149546/19728140/-/f3jl81z/-/index.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

32. *April 12, Bluefield Daily Telegraph* – (West Virginia) **West Virginia State Police investigate copper theft in Welch.** Between 200-300 feet of copper wire was stolen from the McDowell County 9-1-1 Center's radio towers prompting the West Virginia State Police to investigate.

Source: <http://bdtonline.com/local/x1340812991/West-Virginia-State-Police-investigate-copper-theft-in-Welch>

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Information Technology Sector

33. *April 15, Softpedia* – (International) **Web hosting company Linode hacked, Seclist.org impacted.** Linode, the Web hosting provider for Seclist.org, detected suspicious activity on its networks as attackers attempted to access the virtual private server (VPS) systems of Seclist.org.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Web-Hosting-Company-Linode-Hacked-Seclist-org-Impacted-345365.shtml>

34. *April 15, Threatpost* – (International) **Online poker rooms fraught with vulnerabilities.** Findings published by two researchers found that many online poker Web sites whose clients rely on “skins” to design the gaming environment are vulnerable to attacks due to the Web site's software updating infrastructure.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/online-poker-rooms-weighed-down-vulnerabilities-041213

35. *April 12, Krebs on Security* – (International) **Brute force attacks build WordPress botnet.** A growing series of brute force attacks against Wordpress blogs appears to be designed to compromise servers and recruit them into a large botnet that is already comprised of over 90,000 servers.

Source: <http://krebsonsecurity.com/2013/04/brute-force-attacks-build-wordpress-botnet/>

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Communications Sector

36. *April 12, Loveland Reporter-Herald* – (Colorado) **Weather knocks out emergency weather radio.** An April 9 storm knocked an emergency weather radio transmitter out and damaged equipment in Greeley. The AM radio frequency will likely be down for

two weeks until repairs are made.

Source: http://www.reporterherald.com/news/ci_23012323/weather-knocks-out-emergency-weather-radio

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Commercial Facilities Sector

37. *April 14, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Bomb threat prompts Pa. mall evacuation.** A western Pennsylvania mall was evacuated and closed April 14 after a threat was found inside a department store bathroom implying the presence of 3 explosive devices. Authorities are investigating.
Source: http://www.phillyburbs.com/ap/state/pa/bomb-threat-prompts-pa-mall-evacuation/article_1cef39fb-c362-5ea1-a4fc-7afa8f449a6b.html
38. *April 14, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (Pennsylvania) **3-alarm fire in Darby market.** At least a dozen residents of an apartment building were evacuated and displaced April 14 after the walls of a grocery store collapsed April 13. Several people were treated for minor injuries.
Source: http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20130414_3-alarm_fire_in_Darby_market.html
39. *April 13, New York Daily News* – (New York) **37 injured in South Bronx apartment fire including 1-year-old girl.** An apartment fire set by a child playing with a lighter, led to heavy smoke filling nearly every floor of the south Bronx 27-story apartment building and left 37 people harmed. More than 135 firefighters fought the three-alarm blaze for more than 2 hours which resulted in multiple choking injuries.
Source: <http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/bronx/south-bronx-fire-injures-16-including-child-article-1.1315732>
40. *April 13, KDFW 4 Dallas* – (Texas) **Fort Worth store evacuated after people inside become ill.** The cause of a sickness that evacuated a children's store and left 13 people ill remains unknown. Patrons and employees complained of nausea and were taken to a local hospital as a fire and rescue hazard materials team investigated the April 13 incident.
Source: <http://www.myfoxdfw.com/story/21971096/fort-worth-store-evacuated-employees-and-customers-become-ill>

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Dams Sector

41. *April 14, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Threat of flooding lessens at Kenosha County dam.** Water levels at a dam holding back Vern Wolf Lake in

Kenosha County fell by 3 inches, relieving concerns that recent heavy rains would cause the dam to overflow and flood nearby farms and roadways. Engineers are continuing to monitor the dam and the lake.

Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/milwaukee/threat-of-flooding-lessens-at-kenosha-county-dam-s49i34f-202938021.html>

42. *April 12, Associated Press; Tyler Morning Telegraph* – (Texas) **Dam leak, upstream diversion, means Lake Tyler low.** A small leak in Lake Tyler's dam has brought the water level down about 3.7 feet. Officials could start construction to plug the leak during the summer of 2013, unless substantial rain falls almost directly on the lake to help with water levels.

Source: <http://www.khou.com/news/national/202693031.html>

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