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- An explosion at a Shakopee energy plant forced a 1-mile evacuation of residents and visitors and caused the indefinite closure of the plant. – *WCCO 4 Minneapolis/Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- A software glitch that prevented trading in options on two important indexes shut down The Chicago Board Options Exchange for most of April 25. – *Reuters* (See item [5](#))
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is working to repair a lock damaged during recent heavy flooding and a section of the Illinois River is expected to remain closed for several weeks. – *Reuters* (See item [10](#))
- The captured Boston Marathon bombing suspect indicated failed plans to attack sites in New York City with various bombs before realizing the vehicle that he and the other suspect allegedly hijacked was low on fuel. – *Associated Press* (See item [31](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *April 25, WCCO 4 Minneapolis/Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **Shakopee Energy Plant explosion damaged two silos, cause still unknown.** Koda Energy, a joint venture with Rahr Malting Company, plant explosion forced a 1-mile evacuation of residents and visitors in Shakopee April 25, and caused the indefinite closure of the plant. Inspectors are investigating the fire that damaged 2 biomass fuel silos and their conveyor system, as well as the truck unloading facility.
Source: <http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2013/04/25/grain-elevator-explosion-fire-reported-in-shakopee/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *April 25, York Daily Record* – (National) **NRC cautions power plants on water damage and spent fuel containers.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued a notice to plant operators to monitor spent fuel dry storage casks for potential water damage, citing two incidents involving corrosion.
Source: http://www.ydr.com/business/ci_23109538/nrc-cautions-power-plants-water-damage-and-spent

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *April 25, Culpepper Star-Exponent* – (Virginia) **Fire at Rochester plant causes estimated \$750,000 damage.** An electrical fire at a Rochester Corp. plant in Culpepper County, Virginia April 25 caused an estimated \$750,000 in damage to the facility.
Source: http://www.dailyprogress.com/starexponent/news/local_news/fire-at-rochester-plant-causes-estimated-damage/article_04031436-ad86-11e2-9d4f-0019bb30f31a.html

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

4. *April 26, WCMH 4 Columbus* – (Ohio) **6 arrested in Westerville skimming investigation.** Six suspects in a credit card skimming ring were arrested in Westerville. The suspects' allegedly recruited workers at area businesses to skim customers' card data, then used the data to create fraudulent gift cards.
Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/22083095/6-arrested-in-card-skimming-investigation>
5. *April 25, Reuters* – (International) **CBOE dark for much of day due to software glitch.** The Chicago Board Options Exchange was shut down for much of the day April 25 due to a software glitch that prevented trading in options on two important indexes.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/04/26/cboe-delay-idUSL2N0DC1QB20130426>
6. *April 25, WHAS 11 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **'Bad Hair Bandit' pleads guilty to series of robberies.** The individual known as the "Bad Hair Bandit" pleaded guilty to robbing four Kentucky banks in 2011.
Source: <http://www.whas11.com/news/local/Bad-hair-bandit-pleads-guilty-to-series-of-robberies-could-face-up-to-24-years-204746731.html>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *April 26, Boulder Daily Camera* – (Colorado) **Break in water main puts brake on Boulder traffic.** A water-main break April 25 caused a sinkhole on Folsom Street in Boulder prompting authorities to close the road through April 26.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_23110356/break-water-main-puts-brake-boulder-traffic
8. *April 26, Toledo Blade* – (Ohio) **I-475 westbound re-opened.** An accident on westbound I-475 just west of Corey Road in Sylvania Township closed the expressway at the Talmadge Road exit for several hours.
Source: <http://www.toledoblade.com/Police-Fire/2013/04/26/Crash-closes-westbound-I-475-near-Monroe-Street.html>
9. *April 26, Coeur d'Alene Press* – (Idaho) **Washington man dies in crash.** A fatal accident that left the driver of a car dead after striking a loaded logging truck head on shut down Idaho Highway 41 in Hayden for nearly 6 hours.
Source: http://www.cdapress.com/news/local_news/article_39b21b3a-17c7-545e-abbf-f5434238f8dd.html
10. *April 25, Reuters* – (National) **Damaged Illinois River lock may hinder barges for weeks.** A northern section of the Illinois River is expected to remain closed for several weeks as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers works to repair a lock damaged during

recent heavy flooding. Severe flooding has halted the loading of corn and soybean barges at terminals along the waterway and delivery points.

Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/damaged-illinois-river-lock-may-hinder-barges-weeks-224703428.html>

11. *April 25, AnnArbor.com* – (Michigan) **1 dead in rollover crash on Interstate 94; freeway closed.** A driver was killed after an accident closed both the eastbound and westbound lanes of Interstate 94 at Rawsonville Road in Ypsilanti Township for nearly 3 hours.
Source: <http://www.annarbor.com/news/1-dead-in-rollover-crash-on-interstate-94-thursday/>
12. *April 25, WATE 6 Knoxville* – (Tennessee) **Crash closes westbound lanes of I-40 in Cumberland County.** A tractor-trailer hauling hazards material crashed and prompted authorities to close westbound lanes of Interstate 40 for several hours April 25.
Source: <http://www.wate.com/story/22077608/crash-closes-westbound-lanes-of-i-40-in-cumberland-county>
13. *April 25, KSWB 5 San Diego* – (California) **Pedestrian killed trying to cross South Bay freeway.** Three lanes of northbound Interstate 805 in National City were closed for about 2 hours after a car hit and killed a pedestrian on the freeway.
Source: <http://fox5sandiego.com/2013/04/25/pedestrian-killed-trying-to-cross-south-bay-freeway/#axzz2RZf3NajP>
14. *April 25, Hawaii News Now* – (Hawaii) **Water main break closes Waikiki roadway.** A 6-inch water main break forced the closure of two westbound lanes and one eastbound lane of Kalakaua Avenue between Ala Wai Boulevard and McCully Street in Waikiki until repairs are made and crews backfill the waterline.
Source: <http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/22069656/water-main-break-closes-waikiki-roadway>
15. *April 24, Arizona Daily Star* – (Arizona) **Water main break disrupting traffic at Swan and Camp Lowell.** Authorities advised motorists to avoid the intersection of North Swan Road and East Camp Lowell Drive in Tucson for 6 hours due to a 12-inch water main break.
Source: http://azstarnet.com/news/local/water-main-break-disrupting-traffic-at-swan-and-camp-lowell/article_552478f0-ad3b-11e2-83f6-001a4bcf887a.html

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *April 25, Food Safety News* – (Wisconsin) **Three ill with E. coli in Wisconsin, raw milk suspected.** Three patients in Manitowoc County are suspected of being sickened by the same strain of E. coli after consuming raw milk. Wisconsin officials are testing samples from the suspected dairy.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/three-wisconsin-e-coli-illnesses-linked-to-raw-milk/#.UXpnBrWkr44>

17. *April 25, Food Safety News* – (National) **Multistate Salmonella outbreak linked to imported cucumbers.** Around 73 people in 18 States have fallen ill and 14 have been hospitalized with Salmonella Saintpaul infections believed to be connected to imported cucumbers. Daniel Cardenas Izabal and Miracle Greenhouse of Culiacan, Mexico were placed on import alert April 24 by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/multistate-salmonella-outbreak-linked-to-imported-cucumbers/#.UXpmyrWkr44>

18. *April 25, Food Safety News* – (National) **NM adds 7 cases to multistate Salmonella live poultry outbreak.** Seven Salmonella illnesses associated with live chicks and ducklings that appear to be connected to a multistate outbreak under investigation by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention were confirmed by the New Mexico Department of Health.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/nm-adds-7-cases-to-multistate-salmonella-baby-poultry-outbreak/#.UXpmZrWkr44>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *April 25, Albany Times-Union* – (New York) **Schenectady water main leak being fixed.** Crews in Schenectady continued repair work on a 36-inch water main that had leaked thousands of gallons a day. Another 1-2 weeks would be required to drain a swampy area and complete the repairs.
Source: http://www.timesunion.com/local/article/Schenectady-water-main-leak-being-fixed-4463863.php&utm_source=feedly

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. *April 25, WSB-TV 2 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Health department investigating MRSA reports at local clinic.** The Gwinnett County Health Department is investigating claims of cases of Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus infections at Premiere Dermatology & Surgery in Lilburn.
Source: <http://www.wsbtv.com/news/news/local/health-department-investigating-mrsa-outbreak-loc/nXXSw/>
21. *April 23, Hutchinson News* – (Kansas) **Gas leak results in evacuation of Hutch Clinic site.** Hutchinson Clinic was evacuated for about two and one half hours April 22 after a gas leak was detected above a power transformer that serves the hospital campus.

Firefighters helped clear the building and clamped the line.

Source: <http://hutchnews.com/Todaystop/Gas-leak--12013-04-22T20-31-47>

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Government Facilities Sector

22. *April 26, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Agawam schools closed after water main break shuts down service.** A water main break in Agawam caused the closure of Granger Elementary School and Agawam Junior High School April 26 after both school were left without water service.
Source: http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2013/04/agawam_schools_closed_after_wa.h.html
23. *April 26, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **White powdery substance at OU deemed harmless.** Officials at Ohio University (OU) determined a white powdery substance found on an envelope that was received by an OU employee April 25 was harmless. The university evacuated a nearby business and a campus office in Athens as a precaution while they investigated.
Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/22086582/white-powdery-substance-at-ou-deemed-harmless>
24. *April 25, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Bomb threats shut down Braintree High; school to reopen Friday.** Classes were dismissed early April 25 at Braintree High in Massachusetts after 2 notes were found threatening an explosion at the school. Police conducted a search and did not find anything suspicious.
Source: http://www.boston.com/yourtown/news/braintree/2013/04/braintree_high_school_dismissed.html
25. *April 25, KYW-TV Philadelphia* – (New Jersey) **Students return after graffiti prompts evacuation at Lenape High School.** A threat expressed through graffiti found inside a bathroom at Lenape High School in Medford prompted a 3-hour evacuation of the school while authorities investigated. Police gave an all-clear when nothing suspicious was found.
Source: <http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2013/04/25/discovery-of-graffiti-prompts-evacuation-of-lenape-high-school/>
26. *April 24, KTVU 2 Oakland* – (California) **More bomb threats called in, two Antioch high schools evacuated.** Police are investigating a series of bomb threats that caused the evacuation of 2 Antioch schools April 24. Both Antioch High School and Deer Valley High School were forced to evacuate after receiving threats which turned out to be hoaxes.
Source: <http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/crime-law/more-bomb-threats-called-two-antioch-high-schools-/nXXBb/>

27. *April 23, WRC-TV 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Virginia) **Virginia man facing terrorism charges after threats to Fairfax County commonwealth’s attorney.** Authorities arrested and charged a man with making threats to several Fairfax County officials since May 2012. An April 3 email sent to the Board of Supervisors threatening a Fairfax County commonwealth’s attorney prompted his arrest.

Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Virginia-Man-Facing-Terrorism-After-Threats-to-Fairfax-County-Commonwealths-Attorney-204596841.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

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Information Technology Sector

28. *April 26, TechWeek Europe* – (International) **Researchers warn over Apple Safari flaw.** Researchers at Rapid7 highlighted a flaw in Apple’s Safari browser that could allow attackers to hijack users’ sessions or extract information and files if a victim opens a malicious webarchive file.

Source: <http://www.techweekeurope.co.uk/news/apple-safari-webarchive-vulnerability-114516>

29. *April 25, Dark Reading* – (International) **Possible exploit avenue discovered for DarkLeech web server attacks.** A Cisco Systems researcher found that a script targeting a Horde/IMP Plesk Webmail vulnerability may be the avenue of attack used by the DarkLeech campaign targeting servers running Apache 2.2.2 and up.

Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/attacks-breaches/possible-exploit-avenue-discovered-for-d/240153697>

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Communications Sector

30. *April 25, Verona-Cedar Grove Times* – (New Jersey) **Temporary cell tower in Cedar**

Grove will save wireless connections. A Cedar Grove PSE&G power line scheduled to go offline to begin upgrades May 17 is projected to cause a gap in Verizon wireless coverage to residential areas, and prompted the local planning board to approve the installation of a temporary 150-foot Verizon cell phone tower that should prevent loss of coverage for the current service area.

Source:

http://www.northjersey.com/news/204614821_Temporary_cell_tower_in_Cedar_Grove_will_save_wireless_connections.html

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Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *April 26, Associated Press* – (Boston) **Authorities say bomb suspects planned NYC attack.** The captured Boston Marathon bombing suspect indicated failed plans to attack sites in New York City with a pressure-cooker explosive and five pipe bombs before realizing the vehicle that he and the other suspect hijacked was low on fuel.

Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/authorities-bomb-suspects-planned-nyc-attack-064445645.html>

32. *April 25, Annapolis Capital Gazette* – (Maryland) **3-alarm fire at Annapolis apartment complex displaces dozens.** A three-alarm fire displaced dozens of residents from a 45-unit Annapolis apartment complex and caused \$1 million worth of damage to four apartments and the roof.

Source: http://www.capitalgazette.com/news/for_the_record/alarm-fire-at-annapolis-apartment-complex-displaces-dozens/article_d3f12959-5e13-54ec-9969-7096d8a403c4.html

33. *April 26, WXIX 19 Cincinnati* – (Ohio) **Several displaced after Sycamore Twp apartment.** A two-alarm fire broke out at an apartment complex in Sycamore Township April 25, displacing residents from all 12 units.

Source: <http://www.fox19.com/story/22082934/crews-battle-apartment-fire-thursday-on-kings-lake-dr>

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