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- Severe storms knocked out power to roughly 45,000 CenterPoint Energy customers April 27 in Houston. Associated Press (See item 1)
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Energy Sector

- April 28, Associated Press (Texas) Thousands without power in Houston after storms. Severe storms knocked out power to roughly 45,000 CenterPoint Energy customers in Houston April 27. Crews were working to restore service. Source: http://www.dallasnews.com/news/local-news/20130428-thousands-without-power-in-houston-after-storms.ece
- April 28, KWCH 12 Hutchinson (Kansas) Westar believes copper thefts severely injures suspect. Authorities are looking for a suspect after an employee at Westar discovered grounding cables and copper wire were missing April 27. Crews determined a thief caused over \$150,000 in wire loss and damage, knocking out power in south Wichita, and likely suffered injuries during the theft.
 Source: http://www.kwch.com/news/crimewatch/news-les-kwch-westar-believes-copper-theft-severely-injures-suspect-20130428,0,7561825.story
- 3. April 26, Seattle Times (Washington) 4 accused of stealing \$120K in copper wire from Seattle City Light. Authorities arrested 4 suspects who claimed to be members of the Cherokee Nation and asked Seattle City Light for a small amount of copper to donate. They were granted access to the company's South Service Center April 23 and took roughly 40,000 pounds of insulated scrap copper wire worth about \$120,000. Police found all 4 individuals and took them into custody April 25.

 Source: http://blogs.seattletimes.com/today/2013/04/4-accused-of-stealing-120k-in-copper-wire-from-seattle-city-light/

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

- 4. *April 28, Beaver County Times* (Pennsylvania) **New Brighton man charged with stealing copper from nuclear plant property.** A former plant contractor allegedly stole more than 1,400 pounds of copper from the Beaver Valley Nuclear Power Station in Shippingport since January.
 - Source: http://www.timesonline.com/news/police_fire_courts/new-brighton-man-charged-with-stealing-copper-from-nuclear-plant/article_a7d71fdb-1df9-5166-a29e-db89d9a90a98.html
- 5. April 26, WAND 17 Decatur/Springfield/Champaign (Illinois) Clinton power station

takes unit offline for repairs. The Clinton Power Station manually took a reactor unit offline after low hydraulic pressure in the turbine control system was detected April 26. Source: http://www.wandtv.com/story/22090873/clinton-power-station-takes-unit-offline-for-repairs

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

6. *April 29, Reuters* – (International) **Honda recalls almost 46,000 Fit cars in U.S., Canada.** Honda announced the recall of around 46,000 model year 2012 and 2013 Fit Sport vehicles in the U.S. and Canada due to problem in the vehicles' stability control system software.

Source: http://news.yahoo.com/honda-recalls-almost-46-000-fit-cars-u-120745774.html

- 7. *April 29, Reuters* (National) **Nissan recalls over 123,000 Altimas in U.S. for spare tire issue.** Nissan announced the recall of more than 123,000 model year 2013 Altima vehicles that may have over- or under-inflated spare tires which could fail. Source: http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/sns-rt-us-nissan-recallbre93s0de-20130429,0,6369636.story
- 8. April 29, Associated Press (National) Subaru recalls more than 10,000 Forester wagons. Subaru announced the recall of around 10,000 model year 2014 Forester wagons due to floor mats that may curl when exposed to heat.

 Source: http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2013/04/29/us-subaru-recall.html
- 9. *April 25*, *Associated Press* (Utah) **Utah copper mine landslide will hurt State economy.** Kennecott Utah Copper announced the company may be able to resume limited operations within days, but cleanup will take months after an April 10 landslide piled waste rock inside the mining pit near Salt Lake City. The company warned that they will run out of copper for customers in the upcoming months. Source: http://www.wfaa.com/news/national/204722901.html

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

10. April 26, Puget Sound Business Journal – (Washington) FDIC lawsuit seeks \$46 million from executives of failed Frontier bank. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation filed a lawsuit against 12 former directors and officers of the failed Frontier Bank of Everett seeking \$46 million in damages. The accused allegedly were

negligent in approving loans and acted contrary to prudent practices.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/seattle/news/2013/04/26/fdic-seeks-46-million-from-executives.html

11. *April 26, City News Service* – (California) **Ex-notary arrested, accused of mortgage-fraud conspiracy.** A former San Diego public notary was arrested for allegedly running a mortgage fraud scheme involving around 30 properties that caused losses of over \$5 million.

Source: http://www.sandiego6.com/news/local/Ex-Notary-Accused-of-Mortgage-Fraud-Conspiracy-204965781.html

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Transportation Systems Sector

- 13. *April 28, WCMH 4 Columbus* (Ohio) **Charter bus crash causes minor injuries.** Authorities closed the ramp from Interstate 70 eastbound to Interstate 270 northbound in Columbus for 4 and one-half hours after a charter bus crashed injuring 10 children and 4 adults.

Source: http://www.nbc4i.com/story/22099373/charter-bus-crashes-on-westside

14. *April 28, St. Pete Patch* – (Florida) **Chemical spill forces road closure on Tyrone Boulevard.** A chemical spill prompted authorities to urge motorists to avoid the area of St. Petersburg near Park Street and Tyrone Boulevard as officials were expected to be working on cleaning the spill for several hours.

Source: http://stpete.patch.com/articles/chemical-spill-forces-road-closure-on-tyrone-boulevard

15. April 27, Charleston Post and Courier – (South Carolina) Eastbound I-26 reopened after authorities mop up huge gasoline spill. An accident involving a tanker truck closed Interstate 26 to eastbound traffic from mile marker 187 near Pringletown to mile marker 194 near Jedburg for almost 12 hours as crews worked to clean gasoline spillage from the tanker.

Source:

http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130427/NEWS/130429329/1268/eastboundi-26-reopened-after-authorities-mop-up-huge-gasoline-spill

16. *April 26*, *KWWL 7 Waterloo* – (Iowa) **Bremer County road reopens after anhydrous leak.** A Bremer County road was closed for more than 19 hours due to an anhydrous ammonia leak from a tank that broke loose while it was being towed.

Source: http://www.kwwl.com/story/22088454/2013/04/26/bremer-county-road-reopens-following-anhydrous-leak

17. April 26, WBTV 3 Charlotte – (North Carolina) Two lanes of I-85 south in Charlotte reopen after HazMat spill. A semi-truck broke apart along Interstate 85 southbound just past Little Rock Road in west Charlotte, spilling a 55-gallon drum of sodium bisulfide and prompting authorities close all lanes of the freeway for 5 hours while crews cleared up the spillage. Two news trucks were also quarantined and decontaminated after driving over the corrosive liquid.

Source: http://www.wbtv.com/story/22085151/chemical-spill-shuts-down-i-85-in-charlotte

18. April 26, Los Angeles Times – (California) California 38 may shut down at least a week after tanker spill. A fuel tanker overturned on Highway 38 near Angelus Oaks spilling 4,000 gallons of fuel, prompting the closure of a narrow 3 mile stretch of the highway for at least a week and perhaps several weeks. The fuel seeped into a nearby creek that feeds into the Santa Ana River, potentially contaminating local water supplies.

Source: http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-california-38-closure-may-last-weeks--20130426,0,5656576.story

19. April 25, Jersey Journal – (New Jersey) Jersey City man charges with having explosives on train 8 days before Marathon bombings: cops. A man from Jersey City carried 2 homemade explosives on a New Jersey Transit train April 5. Authorities charged the man after they also found explosive devices in his home. Source:

http://www.nj.com/hudson/index.ssf/2013/04/jersey_city_man_arrested_on_tr.html

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Food and Agriculture Sector

20. April 28, Bakersfield Californian – (California) Chemical release sickens 20, three hospitalized. An insecticide was accidentally released April 28 at the Paramount Farms warehouse facility near Lost Hills, sickening 20 people and sending 3 to a nearby hospital.

Source: http://www.bakersfieldcalifornian.com/local/breaking-news/x1322505274/Chemical-release-sickens-20-three-hospitalized

- 21. *April 27*, *Food Safety News* (National) **E. coli O121 outbreak associated with Farm Rich expands.** Five victims in 4 States were added to the list of confirmed cases in the rare Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli O121 outbreak associated with 2 Farm Rich brand frozen products, bringing the total number of individuals infected to 32. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/04/e-coli-o121-outbreak-associated-with-farm-rich-expands/#.UX5fKLWkr44
- 22. April 26, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (National) Orville Redenbacher's

Classic Kettle Korn ready-to-eat popcorn recalled due to undeclared milk allergen. ConAgra Foods, Inc. voluntarily recalled packages of its Orville Redenbacher's Classic Kettle Korn flavor ready-to-eat popcorn because the products may contain an undeclared allergen, milk, after some packages may have been inadvertently filled with white cheddar flavored popcorn. Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm349849.htm

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

23. *April 28, Kalamazoo Gazette* – (Michigan) **Sewer spills 1,800 gallons of raw sewage in Kalamazoo's Oakland/Winchell neighborhood.** A 1,800 gallon raw sewage spill in Kalamazoo was caused by a sewer blockage which led to an overflow at a manhole April 27. City officials advised residents of the Oakland/Winchell neighborhood to stay out of the spill area until an assessment can be completed. Source:

http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2013/04/sewer_spills_1800_gallons_of_r.html

24. *April 27, Chatsworth Times* – (Georgia) **Chatsworth Water Works Commission Carters Lake water plant intrusion.** An April 26 break-in at the Carters Lake Water Treatment Plant prompted the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division to shut down the plant indefinitely to conduct a bacteriological analysis and get approval for the plant's restart. A Boil Water Advisory was also issued.

Source: http://www.chatsworthtimes.com/view/full_story/22384597/article- Chatsworth-Water-Works-Commission-Carters-Lake-Water-Plant-Intrusion?

25. *April* 26, *Pantagraph* – (Illinois) **Illinois EPA to increase water testing near Clinton Landfill.** The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency will mandate independent testing of groundwater from the area around the Clinton Landfill in order to increase its oversight of hazardous chemical waste and protect the Mahomet Aquifer, which the landfill is over.

Source: http://www.pantagraph.com/news/local/illinois-epa-to-increase-water-testing-near-clinton-landfill/article_be3648e0-aed6-11e2-925b-001a4bcf887a.html

- 26. *April 26, KMOV 4 St. Louis* (Missouri) **MSD works to stop raw sewage spill; 500 million gallons have entered river.** High river levels have caused an estimated 500,000,000 gallons of sewage to be discharged from the Bissell Point sewage treatment plant in St. Louis since April 21 after two pumps failed at the plant. Nine temporary pumps were brought in to reduce the flow, but the plant still lacks capacity, leading to continued overflows.
- 27. *April 26, Associated Press* (Michigan) **Grand Rapids: 429M gallons of wastewater released.** Grand Rapids retention basins suffered overflows from recent rainfall and flooding, sending 429 million gallons of partially treated sewage into the Grand River.

 $\textbf{Source:} \ \underline{\text{http://www.13abc.com/story/22090094/grand-rapids-429m-gallons-of-wastewater-released}}$

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

- 28. April 28, KHOU 11 Houston (Texas) Kindred Hospital evacuated after losing power overnight. Patients and staff were evacuated from Kindred Hospital in Houston after severe weather caused the facility to lose power April 28. Power was restored and patients will be allowed to return to the hospital once testing is complete.

 Source: http://www.khou.com/news/local/Kindred-Hospital-evacuated-after-losing-power-overnight-205138811.html
- 29. April 26, WSTM 3 Syracuse/WTVH 5 Syracuse (New York) Laptop with confidential patient information stolen from Upstate Hospital. Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse notified 283 patients that a laptop containing some personal medical information was stolen from the hospital in March. Officials do not believe any information was misused and are investigating.

 Source: http://www.cnycentral.com/news/story.aspx?id=890363#.UX6vtrXvtKA
- 30. April 26, Salt Lake City Deseret News (Utah) Life Flight informs patients of possible confidential information breach. Life Flight notified 842 patients that flew on their helicopters during the last 3 months of 2004 that their personal information may have been compromised after the information was inadvertently put on an employee Web site. The files have been moved behind a secure firewall and the company does not believe any information was used inappropriately.

 Source: http://www.deseretnews.com/article/865579041/Life-Flight-informs-patients-of-possible-confidential-information-breach.html
- 31. April 26, Health IT Security (New Hampshire) Child and Family Services reports patient data breach. Twenty three patients from Child and Family Services of New Hampshire were alerted after the non-profit agency discovered a March 19 theft of files from their main branch in Manchester. Medicaid numbers, specific health information, and notes were included in the files, but officials do not believe the information has been fraudulently used.

Source: http://healthitsecurity.com/2013/04/26/child-and-family-services-reports-patient-data-breach/

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Government Facilities Sector

32. *April 29, WJW 8 Cleveland* – (Ohio) **Threat closes Cuyahoga Falls High School.** Officials closed Cuyahoga Falls High School April 29 after the principal received an

email threatening a device would go off during the school day. Authorities are investigating the incident.

Source: http://fox8.com/2013/04/29/threat-closes-cuyahoga-falls-high-school/

- 33. *April 28, KRTV 3 Great Falls* (Montana) **300-acre Park County fire under control.** Officials in Park County contained a wildfire that burned through 300 acres April 27. Source: http://www.krtv.com/news/300-acre-park-county-fire-under-control/
- 34. *April 28, MSN News* (Mississippi) **Miss. man gets bioweapon charge in ricin case.** The U.S. Department of Justice announced the arrest and charge of a man believed to have sent the U.S. President and 2 other public officials letters laced with ricin. Authorities arrested him April 27 at his home in Tupelo. Source: http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/miss-man-gets-bioweapon-charge-in-ricin-case
- 35. April 26, Associated Press (Wyoming) Yellowstone National Park's Black Sand Basin closed for boardwalk repair. The National Park Service temporarily closed off Yellowstone National Park's Black Sand Basin for repairs after 120 feet of the boardwalk was damaged by thermal water. The re-opening is date will be announced in May.

Source: http://trib.com/news/state-and-regional/yellowstone-national-park-s-black-sand-basin-closed-for-boardwalk/article_4ad229b7-b91e-5e36-840c-4fcad5c23e84.html

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Emergency Services Sector

36. *April 29, Bluefield Daily Telegraph* – (West Virginia) **Stevens Correctional Center: Bomb threat evacuates 400 inmates.** Stevens Correctional Center in Welch was evacuated for nearly 5 hours April 28 after a bomb threat was phoned in to the facility. Officials conducted a search and allowed inmates to return to the building after giving the all-clear.

Source: http://bdtonline.com/local/x508487064/Stevens-Correctional-Center-Bomb-threat-evacuates-400-inmates

37. *April 28, WGHP 8 High Point* – (North Carolina) **911 service outage reported in northwestern Randolph County.** Customers using landlines to call 9-1-1 services in Randolph County were faced with an outage April 28. CenturyLink and North State customers were affected as providers worked to fix the problem. Source: http://myfox8.com/2013/04/28/911-service-outage-reported-in-northwestern-

Source: http://myfox8.com/2013/04/28/911-service-outage-reported-in-northwestern-randolph-county/

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Information Technology Sector

38. April 29, Help Net Security – (International) Sophisticated Apache backdoor in the

wild. A sophisticated Apache backdoor dubbed "Linux/Cdorked.A" being used to redirect traffic to Web sites hosting the Blackhole exploit kit was found and analyzed by researchers at ESET and Sucuri.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14836

39. *April 29, The H* – (International) **Hackers access personal data of 50 million LivingSocial users.** The operators of LivingSocial contacted about 50 million customers and asked them to change their passwords after attackers may have compromised encrypted passwords and personal information.

Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Hackers-access-personal-data-of-50-million-LivingSocial-users-1851667.html

40. *April 29, Softpedia* – (International) **11 "Guardian" Twitter accounts hijacked by Syrian Electronic Army.** Members of the Syrian Electronic Army hacktivist group hijacked several Twitter accounts belonging to the U.K. newspaper The Guardian using phishing emails to gather the information needed.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/11-Guardian-Twitter-Accounts-Hijacked-by-Syrian-Electronic-Army-349343.shtml

41. *April 29, Softpedia* – (International) **Umbraco developers warn users of severe vulnerability in integration Web services.** The developers of the Umbraco content management service alerted customers to a vulnerability in the platform's integration Web services affecting all versions.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Umbraco-Developers-Warn-Users-of-Severe-Vulnerability-in-Integration-Web-Services-349167.shtml

42. *April 29, Computerworld* – (International) **McAfee spots Adobe Reader PDF-tracking flaw.** McAfee researchers found a security flaw in Adobe Reader that can show when a user opened a document and where the file is located on users' systems.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9238752/McAfee_spots_Adobe_Reader_PDF_tracking_flaw

- 43. *April 26, Krebs on Security* (International) **Dutchman arrested in Spamhaus DDoS.** A Dutch national was arrested by authorities in Spain in connection with the massive distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack against Spamhaus in March. Source: http://krebsonsecurity.com/2013/04/dutchman-arrested-in-spamhaus-ddos/
- 44. *April 26, SC Magazine* (International) **Travnet trojan compresses files to send more info to data thieves.** A new trojan dubbed "Travnet" was spotted by researchers being used in a targeted operation. The malware can gather user information and steal files by compressing them and then sending them back to botnet operators.

Source: http://www.scmagazine.com/travnet-trojan-compresses-files-to-send-more-info-to-data-thieves/article/290486/

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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Commercial Facilities Sector

45. *April* 29, *Idaho State Journal* – (Idaho) **Walmart bomb threat: store was evacuated, searched, then reopened.** A Chubbuck Walmart was evacuated, closed, searched, and reopened after about 2 hours following a bomb threat that was called in, with no hazards found.

Source: http://www.idahostatejournal.com/news/local/article_51f539de-b06b-11e2-884e-001a4bcf887a.html

46. *April 28, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **4 choir members stabbed during New Mexico church service.** A man was subdued and later arrested at the St. Jude Thaddeus Church in Albuquerque after jumping several pews and stabbing four members of the choir.

Source: http://abcnews.go.com/US/choir-members-stabbed-mexico-church-service/story?id=19062253#.UX6pxrXvtKA

47. *April 27*, *WXIN 59 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Firefighter injured in Plainfield apartment fire.** An April 27 fire at the Gladden Farms Apartments led to at least \$100,000 in damages and injured a firefighter.

Source: http://fox59.com/2013/04/27/crews-fight-apartment-fire-in-plainfield/#axzz2RrxiPdwt

48. *April 27, Marin Independent Journal* – (New Jersey) **Bon Air shopping center evacuated after bank robbery, bomb threat.** A man was arrested after allegedly robbing a bank and claiming he left a bomb, which prompted a 3 hour evacuation of a portion of the shopping center and parking lot to allow for a search, which resulted in no findings. The suspected bank thief was detained.

Source: http://www.marinij.com/rosskentfieldgreenbrae/ci_23123372/bon-air-shopping-center-evacuated-after-bank-robbery

49. April 27, WFBS 4 Miami – (Florida) Gables Hotel evacuated due to gas leak. A crew

working on a fiber optics line near the Westin Colonnade hotel in Coral Gables hit a four-inch gas line, prompting an indefinite evacuation of the hotel and a disruption of two wedding parties and an optometry conference as fumes from the substantial leak spread several blocks.

Source: http://miami.cbslocal.com/2013/04/27/gables-hotel-evacuated-due-to-gas-leak/

50. April 26, WEAU 13 Eau Claire – (Wisconsin) 75 people evacuated from apartment complex after fire. An explosion in the boiler room of the Wedgewood Common Apartments in La Crosse caused about 75 people to be evacuated for several hours. Firefighter believed a water heater malfunction was responsible.

Source: http://www.weau.com/news/headlines/75-people-evacuated-from-apartment-complex-after-fire-204882591.html?ref=591

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Dams Sector

51. *April 26, WLS 7 Chicago* – (Illinois) **Marseilles dam safe, but significant damage to 5 of 8 gates.** Recent assessments made by the Rock Island District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) revealed the seven barges which broke free from a tugboat during a recent storm caused damage to five of the eight gates at the Marseilles Lock and Dam and will require significant repairs. Source: http://abclocal.go.com/wls/story?section=news/local&id=9080841

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