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- Eight individuals were indicted in New York City for their alleged role in a cybercrime campaign that stole \$45 million from debit card issuers and withdrew the funds from ATMs. – *Dark Reading* (See item [3](#))
- A Broward County man pleaded guilty to mortgage fraud conspiracies involving two Tampa Bay, Florida apartment buildings that defrauded lenders of more than \$20 million. – *Tampa Bay Times* (See item [4](#))
- Officials from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation will close a section of Interstate 81 near Harrisburg until May 12 after a tanker fire and multiple explosions caused extensive damage to two spans of the highway's interchange with Route 322. – *Carlisle Sentinel* (See item [15](#))
- Washington State officials notified the public of a February breach of the State's court system Web site and disclosed that up to 160,000 Social Security numbers and a million driver's license number may have been accessed. – *Reuters* (See item [25](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *May 9, Raleigh Triangle Business Journal* – (North Carolina; Virginia) **Two arrests in alleged \$100K copper theft.** Two men were arrested for the alleged theft of \$100,000 in copper from Progress Energy Carolinas, including wire from light poles and cell phone towers throughout three North Carolina counties, after they were caught allegedly trying to sell the stolen materials to a recycling facility in Virginia. The utility company has begun replacing copper wire with copper-clad wire due to increased copper theft.

Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/blog/2013/05/two-arrests-in-alleged-100k-copper.html>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *May 9, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Georgia) **Hartwell, Ga., manufacturer cited by US Department of Labor's OSHA for repeat, serious safety and health violation; \$62,000 in proposed fines.** Tenneco Automotive Operating Co. was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for 13 safety and health violations at its Hartwell facility, 10 of which were repeat or serious violations.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=24033

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

3. *May 9, Dark Reading* – (International) **8 New Yorkers indicted as part of \$45 million cyberheist of prepaid debit cards.** Eight individuals were indicted in New York City for their alleged role in a cybercrime campaign that stole \$45 million by hacking a MasterCard credit card processor, manipulating pre-paid debit cards issued by banks in the Middle East, and then withdrawing the money from ATMs.
Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/attacks-breaches/8-new-yorkers-indicted-as-part-of-45-mil/240154595>
4. *May 9, Tampa Bay Times* – (Florida) **Man pleads guilty to \$20M mortgage fraud in Hillsborough.** A Broward County man pleaded guilty to mortgage fraud conspiracies involving two Tampa Bay apartment buildings that defrauded lenders of more than \$20 million.
Source: <http://www.tampabay.com/news/courts/criminal/man-pleads-guilty-to-20m-mortgage-fraud-in-hillsborough/2120160>
5. *May 9, CNN* – (California) **California accuses JPMorgan of fraud in credit-card-debt collection.** The Attorney General of California announced a lawsuit against JPMorgan that alleges the bank used fraudulent and unlawful practices when it filed more than 100,000 credit card debt lawsuits against consumers between 2008 and 2011.
Source: <http://money.cnn.com/2013/05/09/news/companies/jpmorgan-credit-card/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *May 10, KTVN 2 Reno* – (Nevada) **Three injured in vehicle accident in Minden.** Authorities closed the area around the intersection of Airport Road and Highway 395 in Minden for 3 hours after an accident in which three people were hospitalized.
Source: <http://www.ktvn.com/story/22213421/three-injured-in-vehicle-accident-in-minden>
7. *May 9, Portland Daily Sun* – (Maine) **Maine DOT: Failed switch led to malfunction on Casco Bay Bridge.** A malfunction May 8 that forced a halt to traffic across the northbound side of the Casco Bay Bridge in Portland during peak traffic for 2 hours was caused by a failed switch.
Source: <http://www.portlanddailysun.me/index.php/newsx/local-news/9309-maine-dot-failed-switch-led-to-malfunction-on-casco-bay-bridge>
8. *May 9, South Jersey Times* – (New Jersey) **Serious Mannington Township motor vehicle crash leaves 3 injured.** A two-vehicle accident on State Route 45 just north of Old Kings Highway in Mannington Township prompted authorities to close the northbound section of the highway for over 2 hours.
Source: http://www.nj.com/salem/index.ssf/2013/05/serious_mannington_township_mo.html

9. *May 9, Kansas City Star* – (Missouri) **2 dead, 9 injured in crash that shut I-29 for five hours near St. Joseph.** A passenger van and tractor-trailer collided on Interstate 29 near Faucett, prompting authorities to close the northbound section of the highway for 5 hours.
Source: <http://www.kansascity.com/2013/05/09/4226606/2-dead-in-crash-that-shuts-i-29.html>
10. *May 9, WPXI 11 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **I-70 west reopens after Mountain Dew spill.** A tractor-trailer carrying soda jackknifed on Interstate 70 in Donegal Township, prompting authorities to close westbound lanes between the Taylorstown exit and the West Virginia line for several hours while crews worked to clear the scene of bottles and crates.
Source: <http://www.wpxi.com/news/news/local/mountain-dew-spill-forces-major-traffic-backups-i-/nXmX7/>
11. *May 9, KLAS 8 Las Vegas* – (Nevada) **Man identified in fatal accident on I-15 near Sloan.** Authorities closed southbound lanes of Interstate 15 near Sloan for several hours after a fatal crash May 9.
Source: <http://www.8newsnow.com/story/22203455/breaking-news-fatal-accident-on-i-15-near-sloan>
12. *May 9, WKRN 2 Nashville* – (Tennessee) **1 killed in 3-vehicle crash in Murfreesboro.** A fatal three-vehicle crash closed the southbound lanes of John Bragg Highway in Murfreesboro for several hours May 8.
Source: <http://www.wkrn.com/story/22211586/3-vehicles-involved-in-murfreesboro-accident>
13. *May 9, Tulsa World* – (Oklahoma) **Explosive device found after man's medical emergency.** Following the discovery a backpack containing a suspected explosive device, other explosive components, a handgun, and ammunition at a propane business, authorities closed more than a mile and a half of U.S. Route 62 south of Tahlequah and evacuated about 20 businesses in the area.
Source: http://www.tulsaworld.com/article.aspx/Suspected_explosive_device_found_at_Tahlequah_propane/20130509_12_suspe_44489
14. *May 9, Maui News* – (Hawaii) **Honoapi'ilani Highway open.** A fatal multi-vehicle accident closed both directions of Honoapi'ilani Highway in Ukumehame for 2 hours as authorities responded to the incident.
Source: <http://mauinow.com/2013/05/09/honoapi%CA%BBilani-highway-closed-1133-a-m-5913/>
15. *May 9, Carlisle Sentinel* – (Pennsylvania) **Tanker crash: turnpike fire adds to traffic issues after truck explosion on I-81.** Officials from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation will close a section of Interstate 81 near Harrisburg until May 12 after a

tanker fire and multiple explosions caused extensive damage to two spans of the highway's interchange with Route 322.

Source: http://cumberlink.com/news/local/tanker-crash-corbett-says-i--could-be-closed-through/article_9489fe78-b896-11e2-b283-0019bb2963f4.html

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *May 10, Food Safety News* – (National) **FDA sends three warning letters to three food companies.** Three food companies received warning letters from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in regards to various violations including insanitary conditions and improperly handling food.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/fda-sends-warning-letters-to-food-companies/#.UYzdSbWkr44>
17. *May 9, Clayton News Daily* – (Georgia) **Riverdale man admits to WIC fraud.** A man who operated a grocery store in Griffin pleaded guilty to 18 counts of defrauding the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Woman, Infants, and Children voucher program and to 83 counts of possession of forged securities.
Source: <http://www.news-daily.com/news/2013/may/09/riverdale-man-admits-wic-fraud/>
18. *May 9, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Whole Foods Market recalls mislabeled curried chicken salad and vegan chick'n salad sold at the cold salad bar due to undeclared allergens.** Bulk amounts of curried chicken salad and vegan curried chick'n salad were recalled by Whole Foods Markets because they may have been sold with reversed labels, causing undeclared soy and egg allergens.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm351564.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *May 9, WTKR 3 Norfolk* – (Virginia) **Residents advised to avoid water in Elizabeth River after wastewater leak.** Residents were advised to avoid the Elizabeth River in Norfolk for 24 hours after a contractor damaged the drain of a tank and caused partially-treated wastewater to leak into the river. Officials indicated the treatment process was not affected by the incident and are working to repair the damaged tank.
Source: <http://wtkr.com/2013/05/09/residents-advised-to-avoid-water-in-elizabeth-river-after-wastewater-leak/>
20. *May 9, KTRK 13 Houston* – (Texas) **Nearly half a million gallons of untreated sewage leaks into Sims Bayou in SE Houston.** A partial power outage at a lift station on the Gulf Freeway May 8 led to nearly 500,000 gallons of sewage spilling into Sims

Bayou. Houston's Department of Public Works and Engineering indicated no fish were killed as a result of the spill, there was no threat to the public, and the water flow is back to normal.

Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=9096560>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *May 9, Buffalo News* – (New York) **20 Buffalo VA patients test positive for hepatitis.** Testing at the Buffalo Veterans Affairs Medical Center determined 20 veterans have tested positive for hepatitis in the wake of an investigation into the facility for the misuse of insulin pens on diabetic patients that could have been contaminated with hepatitis or HIV. Although it was not determined the veterans contracted the hepatitis from the center, authorities are continuing to alert the public and test for possible exposure.

Source:

<http://www.buffalonews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130509/CITYANDREGION/130509231/1010>

22. *May 9, Sacramento Bee* – (Nevada) **Federal probe cites major problems at Nevada mental hospital.** A report issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services May 8 investigating claims of patient mistreatment at Nevada's Rawson-Neal Psychiatric Hospital determined the facility suffers from system-wide problems which compromise the safety of patients who are being discharged. The investigation is ongoing, but the hospital responded to the report with a detailed corrective plan after they came under scrutiny for releasing patients without proper care once they reached their destinations.

Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2013/05/09/5406543/federal-probe-cites-major-problems.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *May 10, Kalamazoo Gazette* – (Michigan) **Decatur Public Schools delayed because of power outage.** A power outage prompted a 2 hour delay for Decatur Public Schools May 10.

Source:

http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2013/05/decatur_second_grade_field_tri.html

24. *May 10, Softpedia* – (International) **After nearly a decade, NIST reworks federal Cybersecurity standards.** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) released an updated version of its Security and Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organizations, the first major update since 2005.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/After-Nearly-a-Decade-NIST-Reworks-Federal-Cybersecurity-Standards-352372.shtml>

25. *May 9, Reuters* – (Washington) **Washington State system hacked, data of thousands at risk.** Washington State officials notified the public of a February breach of the State's court system Web site and disclosed that up to 160,000 Social Security numbers and a million driver's license number may have been accessed. The vulnerability, found in a back door part of a commercial software product, was patched and authorities notified 94 individuals whose Social Security numbers were hacked.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/05/09/us-usa-hack-washingtonstate-idUSBRE9480YY20130509>
26. *May 9, Softpedia* – (National) **Higher education and research community warned about DDOS attack abusing their systems.** The Research and Education Networking Information Sharing and Analysis Center warned higher education communities to ensure their open domain naming system (DNS) configurations prevent hackers from abusing them for distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks, warning that these types of attacks have grown within the past year.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Higher-Education-and-Research-Community-Warned-About-DDOS-Attacks-Abusing-Their-Systems-351901.shtml>
27. *May 9, MSN News* – (Michigan) **Michigan school district goes broke, lays off all teachers.** The Buena Vista School District in Saginaw laid off its teachers and closed the school through May 9 due to lack of funding. Officials are unsure if students will be able to return for the current school year or the 2013-2014 school year.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/michigan-school-district-goes-broke-lays-off-all-teachers>
28. *May 9, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **Rain relieves danger as Maine Forest Service investigates suspicious fires.** Officials battled a suspected arson fire May 8 in Township 18, north of Columbia Falls that burned over 100 acres and appeared to be set in 3 different locations. Rainy weather and heavy fog allowed forest rangers to alleviate high fire danger in Washington County after 2 weeks of nonstop wildfires, grass fires, and burns that were difficult to control.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2013/05/09/news/down-east/rain-relieves-danger-as-maine-forest-service-investigates-suspicious-fires/>
29. *May 9, KGO 7 San Francisco* – (California) **Bomb threat evacuation at Mt. Diablo HS turns ugly.** Students were forced to wait several hours to be picked up by their parents after officials at Mt. Diablo High School in Concord dismissed classes May 9 due to a hoax bomb threat.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=news/local/east_bay&id=9096610
30. *May 9, Andalusia Star-News* – (Alabama) **Buildings cleared of bomb threat.** Authorities closed all city buildings and cancelled classes at Andalusia City schools after a bomb threat was called in to the Covington County Courthouse May 9. Police

are investigating the threat after the caller said a package of explosive would be delivered to a government building.

Source: <http://www.andalusiastarnews.com/2013/05/09/bomb-threat-closes-government-buildings-schools/>

31. *May 9, WHTM 27 Harrisburg* – (Pennsylvania) **Wildwood Park closed for tanker fuel spill.** A fuel tanker crash along Interstate 81 prompted the closure of Dauphine County's Wildwood Park to close May 9 due to heavy smoke from the accident.
Source: <http://www.abc27.com/story/22206103/wildwood-park-closed-for-tanker-fuel-spill>
32. *May 8, KEVN 7 Rapid City* – (Wyoming) **Controlled burn gets out of hand at Devil's Tower.** Firefighters worked to control a blaze that began as a controlled burn at Devil's Tower National Monument in northeastern Wyoming but grew to become a wildfire. Officials closed the monument entrance road, Belle Fourche River Campground, the visitor center, and hiking trails until the fire is completely contained.
Source: <http://www.blackhillsfox.com/2013/05/08/Controlled-burn-gets-out-of-hand-at-Devil-s-Tower>

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Emergency Services Sector

33. *May 10, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (National) **D.C. police officer faces federal charges in Pittsburgh related to major drug ring.** A District of Columbia police officer was charged for participating in a California-to-Pittsburgh drug ring and is believed to have sold up to 4 tons of cocaine between 2000 and 2009 as well as participating in laundering over \$2 million in structured cash deposits to various bank accounts belonging of over dozen involved individuals.
Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/stories/local/neighborhoods-city/dc-officer-faces-charges-here-related-to-major-drug-ring-687091/>
34. *May 10, WRTV 6 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Police, fire radio tower targeted by Indy copper thief.** Indianapolis police are searching for a thief that stole a copper grounding system and wires from a radio tower that serves police and fire crews. There was no forced entry as the suspect was aware of which code to enter in order to gain access to the tower.
Source: <http://www.theindychannel.com/news/call-6-investigators/police-fire-radio-tower-targeted-by-indy-copper-thief>
35. *May 9, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Boston Fire Department office shut over suspicious mail.** An envelope containing a suspicious powder prompted the Boston Fire Department's Fire Prevention Division to evacuate May 9 and shut off the building's air system. The powder was deemed harmless after initial tests and authorities scaled down their response after testing the air quality and determining it was safe.
Source: <http://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2013/05/09/fire-department-office->

evacuated-after-suspicious-powder-found/EohmSnHSp0Iz9zcX77yZPI/story.html

36. *May 8, Associated Press* – (California) **Federal L.E. agents charged in immigration scam.** Authorities charged four federal law enforcement officers from three different agencies for participating in a plot to help immigrants gain legal status within the U.S. in exchange for cash, a television, and plane tickets. The law enforcement officers worked in conjunction with an immigration lawyer who paid them to secure admission stamps and lawful permanent residence status for more than 35 clients.
Source: <http://www.officer.com/news/10939310/federal-le-agents-charged-in-immigration-scam>

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Information Technology Sector

37. *May 10, Softpedia* – (International) **Winnti backdoor created with Aheadlib to mimic legitimate system library.** Researchers at Trend Micro found a new Winnti malware family backdoor dubbed “Bkdr_Tengo.A” which was built with Aheadlib in an attempt to make the malware appear to be a legitimate system library.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Winnti-Backdoor-Created-with-Aheadlib-to-Mimic-Legitimate-System-Library-352240.shtml>
38. *May 10, Help Net Security* – (International) **Hijacking Facebook accounts via expired Hotmail accounts.** Researchers at Rutgers University found that Facebook accounts can be hijacked by requesting automatically retired Hotmail email accounts to be assigned to a new user, and then using Facebook’s password reset function.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14892>

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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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Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

39. *May 10, WLTX 19 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Wellington Farm Apartment fire, Columbia.** Unattended cooking sparked a fire May 10 which left 12 residents displaced, 12 apartments damaged or destroyed, and an estimated \$350,000 in damages at the Wellington Farms Apartments in Columbia.
Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/236138/2/Unattended-Cooking-Sparkes-Columbia-Apartment-Fire>
40. *May 10, WABC 7 New York* – (New Jersey) **Bomb squad detonates suspicious device in Clifton.** A suspicious device found in a storage locker in the New 4 U Thrift and Vintage Shop in Clifton prompted a bomb scare, the closure of a four-block radius surrounding the store, a major highway's shut down, and the detonation of the device. The device was believed to have been a movie prop.
Source:
http://abclocal.go.com/wabc/story?section=news/local/new_jersey&id=9097315
41. *May 9, Winston-Salem Journal* – (North Carolina) **Firefighters save man from apartment fire.** Firefighters rescued a man from a fire at the Reynolda Manor Apartment complex in Winston Salem May 9. The fire damaged 4 apartments and caused \$150,000 in damages.
Source: http://www.journalnow.com/news/local/article_97b7ef6a-b832-11e2-9f3b-001a4bcf6878.html
42. *May 9, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (New Jersey) **Fire rips through Lawrenceville apartment complex; 2 injured.** Lawrence Plaza Apartments was evacuated in its entirety May 9 after a fire started in a third floor apartment leaving two people injured. The fire was contained to one apartment but several other apartments suffered water and smoke damage which left 42 residents displaced.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wpvi/story?section=news/local&id=9096604>
43. *May 8, KERO 23 Bakersfield* – (California) **Bakersfield man hospitalized after fire at apartment complex.** A 6-unit apartment building in central Bakersfield suffered \$350,000 in damages from a May 8 fire that also left a man hospitalized with injuries.
Source: <http://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/bakersfield-man-hospitalized-after-fire-at-apartment-complex>
44. *May 8, Bellingham Herald* – (Washington) **Sunset Pond apartment fire left 27 people needing housing.** A smoldering cigarette is believed to be the cause of a May 6 fire that left 27 people displaced after a fire at the Sunset Pond Apartments in Bellingham.
Source: <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/2013/05/08/3001310/sunset-pond-apartment-fire-left.html>

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Dams Sector

45. *May 10, Lynchburg News and Advance* – (Virginia) **Boat barriers damaged upstream of Reusens dam.** Floating barriers located upstream from the Reusens Hydroelectric Plant on the James River were damaged by high, strong water from recent heavy rainfall. The barriers serve as a precaution to boaters and other recreationalists of unsafe conditions near the dam and will be repaired by Appalachian Power after high water levels fall.

Source: http://www.newsadvance.com/news/local/article_6fa9868c-b91d-11e2-86df-001a4bcf6878.html

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