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Energy Sector

1. *May 15, Associated Press* – (Nebraska) **Ruptured Nebraska natural gas pipeline repaired.** A southwest Nebraska natural gas pipeline that ruptured May 4 was put back into limited operation May 15. The pipeline failure is still under investigation by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.
Source: <http://fuelfix.com/blog/2013/05/15/ruptured-nebraska-natural-gas-pipeline-repaired/>
2. *May 15, WBNG 12 Binghamton* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP: Compressor station shows signs of explosion.** Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection officials are investigating a fire that broke out at Williams Compressor Station in Brooklyn Township May 14 and prompted the evacuation of 11 employees.
Source: <http://www.wbng.com/news/video/Late-night-gas-compression-explosion-207490961.html>
3. *May 14, Casper Star-Tribune* – (Wyoming) **No injuries reported in Wheatland power plant fire.** Firefighters responded to a blaze at the Basin Electric-owned Laramie River Station plant in Wheatland after a surge bin ruptured May 14. Company officials planned to travel to the plant to assess the damage May 15.
Source: http://trib.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/no-injuries-reported-in-wheatland-power-plant-fire/article_12700d1f-f471-5fd0-9fa7-4bcc07b779eb.html
4. *May 14, Idaho State Journal* – (Idaho) **I.F. Police investigate copper theft.** Police are investigating a copper theft after Idaho Falls Power reported 144 feet of copper ground wire and about 80 brass connectors off a perimeter fence from the Milligan Substation and Sugar Mill Substation were stolen.
Source: http://www.idahostatejournal.com/news/local/article_5eb077ce-bcaf-11e2-8725-001a4bcf887a.html
5. *May 14, New Haven Register* – (Connecticut) **Wallingford trash-to-energy plant damaged by fire Tuesday afternoon.** Firefighters fought a blaze at the Covanta Energy plant in Wallingford for nearly 2 hours May 14 after a fire started on the tipping room floor. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.
Source: <http://nhregister.com/articles/2013/05/14/news/metro/doc5192a45e2f4c6124239806.txt>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

6. *May 14, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **Attorney General: Landfill smoldering being watched closely over concerns about nearby nuclear waste.** Smoldering at the Bridgeton Landfill near St. Louis was being monitored due to its proximity to nuclear waste buried at an adjacent landfill. The Missouri Attorney General announced an agreement with the landfill's operators to temporarily relocate nearby residents due to the smell from the smoldering.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/dcc06d6677bc49b5985a7877fbc71b13/MO--Bridgeton-Landfill>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

7. *May 15, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Optimus recalls portable electric heaters due to fire hazard.** Optimus recalled about 355,000 Portable Infrared Radiant Quartz Electric space heaters due to the design failing to prevent ignition of nearby combustible materials, posing a fire hazard.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2013/Optimus-Recalls-Portable-Electric-Heaters/>

8. *May 14, WMAZ 3 Macon* – (Georgia) **Pactiv fire ruled accidental, Byron factory blaze 'undetermined.'** The Georgia fire marshal's office released its findings in two factory fires that occurred May 1-2, including one at a Southern Perfection metal plant in Bibb that caused approximately \$2 million in damage. Damage from the Southern Perfection plant fire was so extensive that investigators could not determine the cause.

Source: <http://www.13wmaz.com/news/topstories/article/232667/175/Pactiv-Fire-Accidental-Byron-Factory-Blaze-Undetermined>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

9. *May 14, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of New Jersey* – (National) **Three arrested, charged in New Jersey in multi-million-dollar fraud offering pre-IPO Facebook shares.** Federal authorities arrested three men in New Jersey and New York charged with allegedly running an investment scheme that stole \$6.7 million from an investor by claiming they had access to Facebook stocks prior to the company's initial public offering.

Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/newark/press-releases/2013/three-arrested-charged-in-new->

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Transportation Systems Sector

10. *May 14, WMBB 13 Panama City* – (Florida) **Traffic detoured on Highway 331 due to accident.** Authorities closed a section of Highway 331 in the area of Rock Hill Road in Walton County for 2 hours after a serious accident.
Source: <http://www.wmbb.com/story/22246473/traffic-detoured-on-highway-331-due-to-accident>
11. *May 14, KSRW 92.5 FM Independence* – (California) **395 re-opens after fatal accident.** Officials closed a section of Highway 395 in Mono County for nearly 24 hours after a semi-tractor trailer failed to negotiate a turn, went over a bridge, and became engulfed in flames.
Source: <http://www.sierrawave.net/24720/fatal-accident-closes-395/comment-page-1/>
12. *May 14, KPHO 5 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Crash causes I-10 backups near Salome Road.** An accident caused traffic delays and lane closures on Interstate 10 about 12 miles west of Salome Road near Phoenix for over 2 hours.
Source: <http://www.kpho.com/story/22251614/crash-causes-i-10-backups-near-salome-road>
13. *May 14, WRJN 1400 AM Racine* – (Wisconsin) **Man killed while driving car on train tracks.** Train traffic between Milwaukee and Chicago was delayed for several hours after a vehicle was hit by a northbound Amtrak train near the Racine County village of Franksville.
Source: <http://www.wrn.com/2013/05/man-killed-while-driving-car-on-train-tracks/>
14. *May 14, Greensboro News-Record* – (North Carolina) **4 charged with damaging 100+ mailboxes in Alamance County.** Four individuals were arrested and accused of damaging more than 100 mailboxes in Alamance County, which caused several thousand dollars of damage.
Source: <http://www.news-record.com/home/1219249-63/4-charged-with-damaging-dozens>
15. *May 14, WOAI 4 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Woman killed in rollover accident on Highway 151.** A fatal rollover crash on Highway 151 near S. Callaghan Road in San Antonio prompted authorities to close a section of the highway for nearly 2 hours.
Source: <http://www.woai.com/news/local/story/Woman-killed-in-rollover-accident-on-Highway-151/N0qpTLIfJUCyjDyzc2qCLQ.csp>
16. *May 14, WTAJ 10 Altoona* – (Pennsylvania) **Coal truck accident shuts down highway.** A section of Route 219 in Cambria County was closed for 3 hours after a

coal truck crashed into two vehicles, rolled over, and spilled coal along the road.

Source: http://wearecentralpa.com/fulltext-news?nxd_id=461052

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Food and Agriculture Sector

17. *May 15, Food Safety News* – (National) **Listeria in onions, Salmonella in mangoes topped last year's reportable foods list.** According to a new report from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), onions recalled for potential Listeria contamination and mangoes recalled for the possible presence of Salmonella were the foods most commonly reported by manufacturers to the FDA between September 2011 and September of 2012.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/listeria-in-onions-salmonella-in-mangoes-top-reportable-foods-for-2012/#.UZN0-7Wkr44>

18. *May 14, Food Safety News* – (Texas) **College Station market closed for fumigant.** Brazos County Health Department and the Texas Department of State Services closed the Better Customer Service Asian Market in College Station after a failed inspection that included finding a restricted use fumigant (aluminum phosphide) stored with food and other items sold in the market.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/college-station-market-closed-for-fumigant-hunt-for-e-coli-source-continues/#.UZNz2LWkr44>

19. *May 14, Food Safety News* – (North Carolina) **NC announces possible Salmonella outbreak linked to Holiday Inn.** Officials from the Cumberland County Department of Public Health in Fayetteville began an investigation of a gastrointestinal illness outbreak among staff and patrons of the Holiday Inn Bordeaux.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/nc-announces-possible-salmonella-outbreak-linked-to-hotel/#.UZNzXbWkr44>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

20. *May 14, Wichita Eagle* – (Kansas) **Wichita council votes to pay \$243,195 fine for sewage leak, fish kill.** Wichita City Council voted May 14 to pay over \$243,000 for a May 2012 sewage leak due to equipment failure and employee error that killed 850 fish. The city will also enhance monitoring of Arkansas River water downstream from the plant and will do the same for other sewage facilities.

Source: <http://www.kansas.com/2013/05/14/2802513/wichita-council-votes-to-pay-243195.html>

21. *May 14, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Water main break shuts down Springfield Road in Clifton Heights.** A Clifton Heights major thoroughfare was shut down for several hours after a 12-inch cast iron main ruptured May 14 also affecting

water service. Repairs were expected to take 8-12 hours.

Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wpvi/story?section=news/local&id=9102407>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

22. *May 14, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Illinois) **Federal Medicare Fraud Strike Force charges Chicago-area defendants with defrauding Medicare and other health insurers.** Authorities charged 2 Chicago-area physicians and 3 health clinic co-owners among 7 other defendants for 5 separate, unrelated health care fraud schemes. The defendants defrauded the Medicare program and/or private health insurers of millions of dollars in what is part of a national takedown by the Medicare Fraud Strike Force involving 89 defendants in 8 cities collectively involving \$233 million in false billing.
Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/chicago/press-releases/2013/federal-medicare-fraud-strike-force-charges-chicago-area-defendants-with-defrauding-medicare-and-other-health-insurers>
23. *May 14, Palm Springs Desert News* – (California) **Police make arrests in Indio Medical Clinic theft.** Police arrested two suspects in connection with an Indio Medical Clinic robbery where they brandished weapons and took a bag of medical items May 14.
Source: <http://www.mydesert.com/article/20130514/NEWS0801/305140014/Police-make-arrests-Indio-Medical-Clinic-theft>
24. *May 14, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Mass email by Dent Neurologic inadvertently breaches privacy of 10,200 patients.** Dent Neurologic Institute (DNI) in Buffalo contacted 200 patients that accidentally received personal information of over 10,200 patients in an email attachment sent by an employee. DNI instructed patients to delete the email and assured the public that the information did not include Social Security numbers or birth dates.
Source:
<http://www.buffalonews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130514/CITYANDREGION/130519516/1002>
25. *May 14, WGRZ 2 Buffalo* – (New York) **Jamestown medical office destroyed in arson.** The Krempa Medical Associates facility in Jamestown, New York was severely damaged and its contents were destroyed by a fire May 13. Officials are investigating the incident and believe it was intentionally set.
Source: <http://www.wgrz.com/news/article/214520/37/Jamestown-Medical-Office-Destroyed-in-Arson-Fire>
26. *May 14, WSVN 7 Miami* – (Florida) **Gas leak sealed outside assisted living facility.** A propane gas leak prompted the partial evacuation of the Lennox on the Lake assisted

living facility in Lauderhill for several hours May 14. A construction crew accidentally cut the underground propane tank while they were working on the area.

Source: <http://www.wsvn.com/news/articles/local/21010624496357/gas-leak-forces-evacuation-of-assisted-living-facility/>

27. *May 14, eSecurity Planet* – (Florida) **Hospital employee, accomplice plead guilty to using patient information for tax fraud.** A former employee at Boca Raton Regional Hospital in Florida along with an accomplice plead guilty to filing more than 57 fraudulent tax returns requesting \$306,720 in refunds by leveraging stolen patient information. The former employee gave patients' personal information to the accomplice for the promise of future payments and the accomplice used the data to file fake online tax returns.
Source: <http://www.esecurityplanet.com/network-security/hospital-employee-accomplice-plead-guilty-to-using-patient-information-for-tax-fraud.html>
28. *May 13, Charlotte Observer* – (North Carolina) **Presbyterian Anesthesia reports data breach affecting nearly 10,000.** Presbyterian Anesthesia Associates in Charlotte notified 9,988 people of a data breach after their Web site was hacked and credit card information may have been retrieved. They assured the public that no medical information was compromised and are continuing to investigate.
Source: <http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2013/05/13/4039763/presbyterian-anesthesia-reports.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

29. *May 15, Duluth News Tribune* – (Wisconsin; Minnesota) **Residents evacuated as Wisconsin wildfire grows.** Firefighters reached 95 percent containment in a wildfire that burned through 6,800 acres in Wisconsin's Douglas and Bayfield Counties and destroyed at least 50 structures. Residents were evacuated and a portion of Wisconsin's state Highway 27 was closed as crews also responded to a wildfire in Minnesota that burned through nearly 5,000 acres.
Source: <http://www.duluthnewstribune.com/event/article/id/267215/>
30. *May 15, Associated Press/Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **W. Pa. man jailed in U.S. President, Secret Service threats.** A man that allegedly made multiple threats against the U.S. President and two U.S. Secret Service agents that investigated the threats was jailed until he can face federal charges.
Source: http://www.timesonline.com/news/state/w-pa-man-jailed-in-obama-secret-service-threats/article_c45e883d-2cee-59b7-835f-c45cd8830752.html
31. *May 14, Washington Examiner* – (Virginia) **Polk Elementary in Alexandria evacuated after water main break.** Students from Polk Elementary in Alexandria City were evacuated and sent to Patrick Henry Elementary School to finish the school

day May 14 after a water main break forced the school to shut off water.

Source: <http://washingtonexaminer.com/polk-elementary-in-alexandria-evacuated-after-water-main-break/article/2529633>

32. *May 14, KMGH 7 Denver* – (Colorado) **16-year-old student arrested Tuesday after pipe bomb left at Centaurus High School in Lafayette.** A student was arrested and is facing charges in connection with leaving a pipe bomb at Centaurus High School in Lafayette that prompted an emergency response and evacuation May 13.

Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/local-news/students-return-to-centaurus-high-school-in-lafayette-after-pipe-bomb-found-on-campus>

33. *May 14, Pensacola News-Journal* – (Florida) **Scenic Heights Elementary School vandalized.** Scenic Heights Elementary School in Pensacola was the latest facility vandalized in a series of incidents at Escambia County schools that have been targeted for burglaries and acts of vandalism. Authorities are investigating the break-in but are currently treating it as a separate incident.

Source: <http://www.pnj.com/article/20130514/NEWS01/130514017/Scenic-Heights-Elementary-School-school-vandalized>

34. *May 14, Cinnaminson Patch* – (New Jersey) **Bomb threats lead to school evacuation 2 days in a row.** Cinnaminson High School was evacuated for the second day in a row May 14 after a student received a text message claiming a bomb would go off.

Authorities searched the school and gave the all-clear after roughly 2 hours.

Source: <http://cinnaminson.patch.com/articles/bomb-threats-lead-to-school-evacuation-2-days-in-a-row>

35. *May 13, Ventura County Star* – (California) **Some Santa Monica Mountains trails to reopen Tuesday.** Several trails on the western side of the Santa Monica Mountains were reopened May 14 by the National Park Service after the Springs Fire forced their closure. The park is still in recovery and all backcountry trails remain closed.

Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2013/may/13/some-santa-monica-mountains-trails-set-to-reopen/>

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Emergency Services Sector

36. *May 14, NY 1 News* – (New York) **Sound the alarm: Roughly one-third of city's fire alarm boxes cannot be used.** The New York fire commissioner confirmed a large number of fire alarm boxes around the city are not functional. According to federal safety regulations they must remain in working order, but approximately one-third are out of service mostly due to Hurricane Sandy.

Source: http://www.ny1.com/content/top_stories/182082/sound-the-alarm--roughly-one-third-of-city-s-fire-alarm-boxes-cannot-be-used

37. *May 14, KHOU 11 Houston/Galveston County Daily News* – (Texas) **Search continues for Galveston police officer's stolen guns.** Authorities are still searching for the

suspect that stole a Galveston police officer's department-issued M-16 and Glock service pistol from his truck in April.

Source: <http://www.khou.com/news/neighborhood-news/Search-continues-for-Galveston-police-officers-stolen-guns--207369241.html>

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Information Technology Sector

38. *May 15, The H* – (International) **Mozilla's Firefox update fixes three critical holes.** Mozilla released an update for its Firefox browser that fixes three vulnerabilities rated "critical" or "high severity."
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Mozilla-s-Firefox-update-fixes-three-critical-holes-1863449.html>
39. *May 14, Help Net Security* – (International) **Microsoft fixes 33 vulnerabilities.** Microsoft's latest Patch Tuesday release included critical fixes for several programs, including a fix for an Internet Explorer (IE) 8 zero-day flaw recently used in targeted attacks.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14908>
40. *May 14, Threatpost* – (International) **Adobe patches ColdFusion, Flash, Reader vulnerabilities.** Adobe released updates for its ColdFusion, Flash, and Reader programs, closing two vulnerabilities seen exploited in the wild as well as other vulnerabilities.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/adobe-patches-coldfusion-flash-reader-vulnerabilities/>
41. *May 14, V3.co.uk* – (International) **Google Android malware levels rocket as spam threat grows.** F-Secure released its Q1 2013 Threat Report, which found malware variants targeting mobile devices have risen by 49 per cent since 2012, among other findings.
Source: <http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2267736/google-android-malware-levels-rocket-as-spam-threats-grow>
42. *May 14, Internet Crime Complaint Center* – (International) **IC3 2012 Internet Crime Report released.** The Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) released the 2012 Internet Crime Report, which reported an average of more than 24,000 complaints received per month and that unverified losses rose 8.3 per cent, among other findings.
Source: <http://www.ic3.gov/media/2013/130514.aspx>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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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

43. *May 14, WKYT 27 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Thieves knock Lexington radio station off air.** KISS 96.9 FM Paris was knocked off the air for six hours May 14 and sustained \$30,000 in damages after thieves broken into the station tower to steal copper.
Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/news/headlines/Thieves-knock-Lexington-radio-station-off-air-207445921.html?ref=921#.UZOUGrWkq0h>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

44. *May 15, Columbus Dispatch* – (Ohio) **Authorities investigate mystery chemicals.** Apartments in one building at Sterling Place apartments in Columbus were evacuated May 15 after a maintenance worker found unidentified chemicals which prompted an emergency response. Authorities spent several hours processing the scene and sent the chemicals for analysis.
Source: <http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2013/05/15/authorities-investigate-mystery-chemicals.html>
45. *May 14, Middlesex County News* – (New Jersey) **Police investigate bomb threat at Woodbridge Center Mall.** A May 14 bomb threat prompted an emergency response at the Woodbridge Center Mall in Woodbridge Township and the evacuation of mall security and personnel. Authorities declared the mall safe after they conducted a search and did not find an explosive device.
Source:
http://www.nj.com/middlesex/index.ssf/2013/05/police_investigate_bomb_threat.html
46. *May 14, Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* – (Minnesota) **Man charged with bomb threats at Mall of America, MSP Airport.** A Maine man who made bomb threats April 12 at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and the Mall of America was charged May 14. Searches of the areas revealed no bombs present and authorities arrested the suspect inside the Mall of America after they traced the call.
Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/twincities/news/2013/05/14/mall-of-america-msp-airport-bomb-threat.html>
47. *May 14, Southern California City News Service* – (California) **Riverside: More than a dozen residents displaced after apartment fire.** A Riverside apartment complex

suffered \$200,000 in damages from a May 14 fire that displaced 14 people. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Source: <http://www.swrnn.com/2013/05/14/riverside-more-than-a-dozen-residents-displaced-after-apartment-fire/>

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Dams Sector

48. *May 15, Advocate River Parishes Bureau* – (Louisiana) **All 5 holes in Assumption sinkhole's containment berm now plugged.** The final two breaches in a containment berm around the Assumption Parish sinkhole were plugged May 14 by Texas Brine Co. contractors after heavy rainfall and high water made its way through the incomplete earthen barrier the week of May 6. Work on the berm is expected to continue for another 45 to 60 days barring delays from underground tremors or weather.

Source: <http://theadvocate.com/home/5976085-125/all-5-holes-in-assumption>

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