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- North Carolina authorities apprehended 5 individuals in connection with the theft of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of copper throughout the State. – *Laurinburg Exchange* (See item [5](#))
- Moore Medical Center in Moore, Oklahoma, suffered extensive damage after a tornado May 20. – *Associated Press* (See item [22](#))
- Over 100 people were injured and 24 were confirmed dead as a tornado ripped through Moore, Oklahoma, May 20, leveling Plaza Towers Elementary School and several homes and businesses. – *MSN News*; *Associated Press*; *Reuters* (See item [23](#))
- Researchers reported that a Chinese military cyberespionage unit previously identified in attacks against U.S. government and industry targets resumed operations. – *New York Times* (See item [31](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *May 21, KTLA 5 Los Angeles*– (California) **Edison admits errors in Malibu Fire; settlements top \$60 Million.** Southern California Edison agreed to pay a \$37 million dollar settlement that holds the utility responsible for overloaded utility poles which caused the 2007 Malibu Canyon fire, bringing settlements related to the fire to a total of \$63.5 million.  
Source: <http://ktla.com/2013/05/20/edison-admits-errors-in-malibu-fire-settlements-top-60-million/#axzz2TvluzkrY>
2. *May 21, Nevada Daily Mail* – (Nevada) **Storms wreak havoc around Vernon County.** Kansas City Power & Light Co. determined 77,000 customers were affected by storms in their service area after severe weather moved through Nevada May 20. Power, phone, and cable TV lines were all affected as crews worked to restore power.  
Source: <http://www.nevadadailymail.com/story/1970938.html>
3. *May 21, Associated Press* – (Indiana) **Storm causes scattered Indiana power outages.** Over 28,000 lost power in Indiana due to a line of thunderstorms that moved across the State damaging businesses and homes.  
Source: <http://tribstar.com/latest/x730883991/Storm-causes-scattered-Indiana-power-outages>
4. *May 20, San Antonio Express-News* – (Texas) **Two men injured after oil-filled tanker explodes in Von Ormy.** A tanker filled with crude oil exploded at South Texas Industrial in Von Ormy, injuring two men May 20 while they were attempting to repair the tractor-trailer truck.  
Source: [http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local\\_news/article/Two-men-injured-after-oil-filled-tanker-explodes-4531043.php](http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local_news/article/Two-men-injured-after-oil-filled-tanker-explodes-4531043.php)
5. *May 19, Laurinburg Exchange* – (North Carolina) **Deputies: Copper theft ring busted.** North Carolina authorities apprehended 5 individuals in connection with the theft of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of copper throughout the State. The group mostly targeted power companies and were active several times per week.  
Source: [http://www.laurinburgexchange.com/view/full\\_story/22614230/article-Deputies--Copper-theft-ring-busted?instance=popular](http://www.laurinburgexchange.com/view/full_story/22614230/article-Deputies--Copper-theft-ring-busted?instance=popular)

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## Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

6. *May 20, Kalamazoo Gazette* – (Michigan) **Palisades Nuclear Power Plant to replace bottom of leaking tank, remains shut down.** The operators of the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant in South Haven formulated a repair plan that calls for replacing the bottom of a safety injection refueling water tank that was found to be leaking slightly, shutting down the plant May 5.

Source:

[http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2013/05/palisades\\_to\\_replace\\_bottom\\_of.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2013/05/palisades_to_replace_bottom_of.html)

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## **Financial Services Sector**

7. *May 21, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **Guilty plea in KPMG insider-trading case.** A California jeweler pleaded guilty to involvement in an insider trading scheme that used tips from an auditor at accounting firm KPMG to receive \$1.27 million in illicit gains.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-shaw-hearing-20130521,0,3315815.story>

8. *May 20, ABC News* – (California) **Three men arrested and charged in California fake bomb bank heist.** Three men were arrested and charged with a \$565,500 Los Angeles bank robbery that involved a bank manager being strapped with a fake bomb and told to retrieve cash from the bank's vault.

Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/men-arrested-charged-california-fake-bomb-bank-heist/story?id=19218100>

9. *May 20, Help Net Security* – (International) **Jailed hacker designs device to thwart ATM card skimming.** A Romanian hacker imprisoned for creating ATM skimming devices has invented a device that aims to prevent skimming by inserting the card lengthwise and then turning the card inside the machine.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14931>

## **Transportation Systems Sector**

10. *May 21, WIS 10 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Evacuation order lifted after truck carrying ammonium nitrate catches fire.** Authorities lifted an evacuated order after a truck carrying ammonium nitrate caught on fire. South Carolina Highway 39 and Rose Bud Lane in the Chappells area of Newberry County remained closed for an undetermined amount of time as a cleanup effort was underway to remove the spilled ammonium nitrate.  
Source: <http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/22304034/truck-carrying-ammonium-nitrate-on-fire-residents-asked-to-evacuate>
11. *May 21, Toledo Blade* – (Ohio) **Rollover on I-75 closes lanes for over 4 hours.** An accident involving a single-vehicle rollover near the South Avenue exit in south Toledo closed the southbound lanes of Interstate 75 in downtown Toledo for more than 4 hours.  
Source: <http://www.toledoblade.com/Police-Fire/2013/05/21/Rollover-on-I-75-closes-lanes-for-over-4-hours.html>
12. *May 20, Olympic Peninsula Daily News* – (Washington) **1 killed, 5 hurt in construction zone on U.S. 101.** A fatal chain reaction collision that left one dead and five others injured closed a section of U.S. Highway 101 between Port Angeles and Sequim in Clallam County for over 5 hours.  
Source: <http://www.peninsuladailynews.com/article/20130520/news/305209980/1-killed-5-hurt-in-construction-zone-on-us-101>
13. *May 20, KSDK 5 St. Louis; Associated Press* – (Illinois) **5 dead in church van crash in Illinois.** A fatal accident in which five people were killed and six others injured prompted authorities to close eastbound lanes of Interstate 70 in southern Illinois near Vandalia for several hours.  
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/05/20/five-dead-illinois-van-crash/2343087/>
14. *May 20, New York Newsday* – (Connecticut) **Metro-North Crash: Normal service by Wednesday morning; tracks inspected 2 days before derailment.** The Metro-North train service will resume regular service to New Haven May 22 following a collision May 17 in which 70 people were injured.  
Source: <http://newyork.newsday.com/news/nation/metro-north-crash-normal-service-by-wednesday-morning-tracks-inspected-2-days-before-derailment-1.5299183>
15. *May 20, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Big Rig carrying fruit crashes on 210 Freeway, creates jam.** A big rig carrying fruit overturned on 210 Freeway in the San Gabriel Valley and blocked three westbound lanes and two eastbound lanes for over 4 hours.  
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-big-rig-crash->

[20130520,0,2642136.story](#)

16. *May 20, KARE 11 Minneapolis* – (Minnesota) **Fire damages hangar, planes at Fleming Field in St. Paul.** A fire broke out in a hangar at Fleming Field at the South St. Paul Municipal Airport and damaged two to three planes.  
Source: <http://www.kare11.com/news/article/1026517/391/Fire-damages-hangar-at-South-St-Paul-airport?odyssey=tab%7Ctopnews%7Cbc%7Clarge>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

17. *May 21, Food Safety News* – (Georgia) **BBQ Shack in Toccoa, GA likely source of E. coli outbreak.** The number of reported cases of E. coli O157:H7 in Stephens County rose from 7 to 11, and 10 of those reported eating at the BBQ Shack in Toccoa over the weekend of May 4-5.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/bbq-shack-in-toccoa-ga-possible-source-of-e-coli-outbreak/#.UZtdjbWkr44>
18. *May 20, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Eco-Cuisine recalls product because of possible health risk.** Eco-Cuisine of Boulder recalled 10 different baking mix products because they may have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm353311.htm>
19. *May 20, Food Safety News* – (North Carolina) **NC Holiday Inn Salmonella outbreak hits 70.** At least 70 people likely fell ill with Salmonella after dining at two restaurants within the Holiday Inn Bordeaux in Fayetteville, according to Cumberland County Health Officials. Investigators are tracing back foods shipped to the hotel in order to determine the cause of the outbreak.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/nc-holiday-inn-salmonella-outbreak-hits-70/#.UZtdUrWkr44>
20. *May 20, Food Safety News* – (Minnesota) **Unpasteurized Mexican Cheese sickens 25 in Minneapolis.** The number of people sickened with Salmonella poisoning after eating unpasteurized, homemade queso fresco has reached 25, up from the 12 cases originally reported the week of May 5, according to Minnesota health officials.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/unpasteurized-mexican-cheese-sickens-25-in-minneapolis/#.UZtc-LWkr44>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

21. *May 20, WDAF 4 Kansas City* – (Missouri) **Water main break causes water troubles in Buckner.** Buckner city residents were placed on a boil water advisory for at least 72 hours after a water main break of undisclosed size caused low water pressure May 20.  
Source: <http://fox4kc.com/2013/05/20/water-tower-problem-suspected-for-water->

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

22. *May 20, Associated Press* – (Oklahoma) **Tornado damages small suburban Oklahoma City hospital, but all patients survive.** Moore Medical Center in Moore, Oklahoma, suffered extensive damage after a tornado May 20. All 30 patients survived and 13 were transferred to other facilities.

Source:

<http://www.greenfieldreporter.com/view/story/a9faf1eaf7b4ad6a5cd5050bfe22a34/US--Severe-Weather-Medical-Center>

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

23. *May 21, MSN News; Associated Press; Reuters* – (Oklahoma) **Tornado hits Oklahoma; death toll revised down to 24.** Over 100 people were injured and 24 were confirmed dead as a tornado ripped through Moore, Oklahoma, May 20 leveling Plaza Towers Elementary School and several homes and businesses. Crews were still searching through the rubble for victims and clearing debris, as well as dealing with downed power lines, open gas lines, and a lack of running water.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/tornado-hits-oklahoma-death-toll-revised-down-to-24-1>

24. *May 21, Foster's Daily Democrat* – (New Hampshire) **Internet outage affects DMV offices in N.H.** Several of New Hampshire's Department of Motor Vehicle offices suffered computer outages May 20 after network problems hit FairPoint Communications customers. Crews were working to restore service after intermittent connection problems occurred throughout the day.

Source:

[http://www.fosters.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130521/GJNEWS\\_01/130529826/-1/FOSNEWS](http://www.fosters.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130521/GJNEWS_01/130529826/-1/FOSNEWS)

25. *May 20, KJZZ 91.5 FM Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Fire fighters battle human-caused fire in Coronado National Forest.** Firefighters reached about 5 percent containment in a wildfire that burned through 800 acres east of the Nogales airport.

Source: <http://www.kjzz.org/content/1305/fire-fighters-battle-human-caused-fire-coronado-national-forest>

26. *May 20, Associated Press* – (California) **Report: NPS hantavirus response followed policy.** The Interior Department's Office of Inspector General released a report that found Yosemite National Park officials responded appropriately and within policy to a

summer 2012 hantavirus outbreak that affected at least 8 out of 9 tourists staying in the park's signature cabins. The office made a list of recommendations after they discovered the current changes were not in place to prevent future outbreaks.

Source: [http://www.twincities.com/national/ci\\_23283410/report-nps-hantavirus-response-followed-policy](http://www.twincities.com/national/ci_23283410/report-nps-hantavirus-response-followed-policy)

27. *May 20, KUSA 9 Denver* – (Colorado) **Adams County middle school evacuated after threat.** Students and staff from Shaw Heights Middle School in Westminster were evacuated for 3 hours May 20 after an unfounded threat was left on the school's voicemail.

Source: <http://www.9news.com/news/article/337150/188/Adams-County-middle-school-evacuated-after-threat>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

28. *May 20, KVEW 42 Kennewick* – (Washington) **911 outage in Connell.** Roughly 1,500 CenturyLink customers in Connell and Washtucna experienced 9-1-1, voice, and Internet service outages. Crews are investigating the cause and are working to restore services.

Source: <http://www.kvewtv.com/article/2013/may/20/911-outage-connell/>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

29. *May 21, The Register* – (International) **Syrian hackers hijack Telegraph's Facebook, Twitter accounts.** Several Twitter accounts and the Facebook page of U.K. newspaper The Telegraph were briefly taken over by the Syrian Electronic Army hacktivist group and used to post pro-Syrian government messages.

Source: [http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/05/21/sea\\_hijacks\\_telegraph\\_twitter\\_feeds/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/05/21/sea_hijacks_telegraph_twitter_feeds/)

30. *May 20, Threatpost* – (International) **Remote code injection vulnerabilities discovered in iOS apps.** Researchers from Vulnerability Laboratory discovered vulnerabilities in the File Lite and File Lite Pro apps available in Apple's App Store. The vulnerabilities allow code injection and unauthorized file uploads.

Source: <http://threatpost.com/remote-code-injection-vulnerabilities-discovered-in-ios-apps/>

31. *May 19, New York Times* – (International) **Hackers from China resume attacks on U.S. targets.** Researchers at Mandiant and CrowdStrike reported that a Chinese military cyberespionage unit previously identified in attacks against U.S. government and industry targets resumed operations after a pause following reports of their prior operations.



Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/20/world/asia/chinese-hackers-resume-attacks-on-us-targets.html>

## Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at [soc@us-cert.gov](mailto: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

32. *May 20, High Plains Public Radio* – (Oklahoma; Kansas) **91.3 KGUY Guymon: Off the air; 90.5 KZNA Hill City: problems.** Severe storms in parts of Oklahoma and Kansas led to problems at radio station transmitter sites causing an outage for 91.3 FM KGUY Guymon and intermittent issues for 90.5 FM KZNA Hill City.

Source: <http://www.hppr.org/post/913-kguy-guymon-air-905-kzna-hill-city-problems>

33. *May 20, Oregonian* – (Oregon) **North plains phone outage expected to be fixed in coming hours.** A fiber-optic cable was cut May 20 affecting North Plains CenturyLink phone service customers for several hours, but was expected to be repaired late that day.

Source: [http://www.oregonlive.com/north-of-26/index.ssf/2013/05/north\\_plains\\_phone\\_outage\\_expe.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/north-of-26/index.ssf/2013/05/north_plains_phone_outage_expe.html)

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

34. *May 21, KDVR 31 Denver* – (Colorado) **3-alarm fire rips through Fort Collins apartment complex.** A three-alarm fire at an apartment complex in Fort Collins caused a complete evacuation of the complex as 40 firefighters worked to put out flames and determine its cause May 21.

Source: <http://kdvr.com/2013/05/21/3-alarm-fire-rips-through-fort-collins-apartment-complex/>

35. *May 20, Boston Herald* – (Massachusetts) **3 Kendall Square buildings evacuated after backhoe hits gas main.** A construction mishap which severed a gas line forced the evacuation of three buildings, closed off local roads, and temporarily disrupted train services in Cambridge.

Source:  
[http://bostonherald.com/news\\_opinion/local\\_coverage/2013/05/3\\_kendall\\_square\\_buildings\\_evacuated\\_after\\_backhoe\\_hits\\_gas\\_main](http://bostonherald.com/news_opinion/local_coverage/2013/05/3_kendall_square_buildings_evacuated_after_backhoe_hits_gas_main)



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