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Energy Sector

1. *May 31, NJ.com* – (New Jersey) **Multiple injuries reported at Branchburg gas pipeline facility flash fire.** A flash fire May 30 at the Williams Corporation Transco Pipeline facility in Branchburg sent two construction workers to the hospital and left about 13 others with minor injuries. Authorities are investigating the cause of the accident.
Source: http://www.nj.com/somerset/index.ssf/2013/05/multiple_injuries_reported_at.html
2. *May 30, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Power outage causes ‘heavy flaring’ at Torrance ExxonMobil refinery.** Operations could take up to 24 hours to normalize at a Torrance ExxonMobil refinery after a mylar balloon hit equipment at a nearby California Edison substation and cause a brief but widespread outage May 30. Crews were working to restore service after unscheduled flaring caused the power outage.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-heavy-flaring-refinery-torrance-20130530,0,1630362.story>
3. *May 29, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) **Former mine officials fined, given probation.** Three officials from the Manalapan’s P-1 Mine were fined and ordered to spend time on probation for violating federal mine safety standards after a coal miner was killed in 2011 at the eastern Kentucky mine. A judge is still determining whether or not to impose a fine for Manalapan Mining Co.
Source: <http://www.kentucky.com/2013/05/29/2658089/former-mine-officials-fined-given.html>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

4. *May 31, Associated Press* – (Virginia) **Dominion makes 3rd attempt to start North Anna nuclear plant.** The operators of the North Anna nuclear power plant in Louisa County attempted a third restart of the Unit 2 reactor, with power reaching 30 per cent May 31. Two previous attempts were stopped due to mechanical issues.
Source: http://www.newsadvance.com/news/state/article_32be24f6-c9f5-11e2-bf5e-001a4bcf6878.html

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *May 31, WVIT 30 New Britain* – (Connecticut) **4 hospitalized in Old Saybrook factory fire.** A laser ignited a fire at Sound Manufacturing in Old Saybrook, exposing four employees to chemicals while they extinguished the fire. The employees were taken to a hospital for evaluation after they and six firefighters were decontaminated. Source: <http://www.nbcconnecticut.com/news/local/Factory-Fire-in-Old-Saybrook-209579441.html>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

6. *May 30, KIRO 7 Seattle* – (Washington) **Red Robin customers victims of months-long skimmming scheme.** A waitress who worked at a Red Robin restaurant in Des Moines, Washington, was arrested for allegedly skimming customers' credit and debit cards over several months, resulting in thousands of dollars in fraudulent purchases. Source: <http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/red-robin-customers-victims-months-long-skimming-s/nX7Sq/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *May 31, WLTX 19 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Area deemed safe after chemical leak contained.** Authorities reopened several adjacent blocks after they evacuated a two-block area surrounding Quaker Chemical in Columbia in order to contain a chemical leak on the road. Four firefighters and one civilian were taken to the hospital as a precaution. Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/238636/2/Chemical-Leak-Leads-to-Evacuations-Closures>
8. *May 31, NJ.com* – (New Jersey) **Gas main break on Route 46 in Parsippany cleared, the DOT says.** A gas main break May 31 on Route 46 East near Cherry Hill Road in Parsippany closed all lanes for nearly 2 hours, with the exception of the right lane which reopened after nearly 4 hours. Source: http://www.nj.com/morris/index.ssf/2013/05/gas_main_break_on_route_46_in.html
9. *May 31, Vacaville Reporter* – (California) **Fatal accident snarls Interstate 80 traffic**

- for hours.** A fatal accident, which left a driver dead after their car collided with a California Transportation weed abatement truck in Vacaville, backed up traffic along Interstate 80 for several hours.
Source: http://www.thereporter.com/news/ci_23359960/fatal-accident-snarls-interstate-80-traffic-hours
10. *May 30, WHAG 25 Hagerstown* – (Pennsylvania) **Interstate 81 back open following accident near Chambersburg.** Southbound lanes of Interstate 81 near Chambersburg were shut down for over 2 hours following a tractor trailer accident as crews worked to clean up debris.
Source: http://your4state.com/fulltext?nxd_id=311482
 11. *May 30, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **Accident shuts down Parkway in both directions in Clark.** A two-car crash May 30 on the Garden State Parkway southbound lanes in Clark shut down both sides of the highway for over 2 hours.
Source: http://www.nj.com/union/index.ssf/2013/05/accident_shuts_down_parkway_in.html
 12. *May 30, WISH 8 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Semi driver arrested after I-70 crash.** A driver operating an 18-wheeler went off the road and landed in a ditch prompting authorities to close a section of the right lane on Interstate 70 west in Greenfield for several hours in order to remove the overturned semi-truck.
Source: <http://www.wishtv.com/dpp/news/crime/semi-driver-arrested-after-i-70-crash>
 13. *May 30, Railway Age* – (New York) **MTA reopens storm-damaged Rockaway Branch.** The Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York City Transit resumed a train subway service May 30 on the elevated Rockaway Branch line in Queens several months after the transit line was severely damaged by Super Storm Sandy.
Source: <http://www.railwayage.com/index.php/passenger/rapid-transit/mta-reopens-storm-damaged-rockaway-branch.html>
 14. *May 30, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Downtown Denver water main break floods lanes of I-25.** A water main break closed down West 29th Avenue between Zuni Street and Central Street, the 15th Street Bridge, and two lanes of southbound Interstate 25 at Speer Boulevard in Denver for several hours in order for crews to repair the water main.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/breakingnews/ci_23357851/downtown-denver-water-main-break-floods-lane-i
 15. *May 30, Lansing State Journal* – (Michigan) **Dimondale man recovering after crash involving semi.** A crash that seriously injured a driver and caused a semi-truck to burst into flames closed a section of Michigan Highway 99 near Bishop Road in Delhi Township for 7 hours.
Source: <http://www.lansingstatejournal.com/viewart/20130530/NEWS01/305300020/Dimondale-man-recovering-after-accident-involving-semi>

16. *May 29, KCNC 4 Denver* – (Colorado) **All lanes reopened I-70 east of Palisade.** A large boulder closed down all lanes on Interstate 70 east of Palisade for several hours as crews worked to remove it.
Source: <http://denver.cbslocal.com/2013/05/29/large-boulder-closes-i-70-east-of-palisade/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

17. *May 31, Food Safety News* – (International) **Japan suspends U.S. wheat purchases after GMO discovery.** Japan has canceled its tender to buy U.S. white wheat after the discovery of a test strain of Monsanto Company's genetically modified wheat were found on an Oregon wheat farmer's land. Japan is the largest international buyer of U.S. wheat.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/japan-suspends-u-s-wheat-purchases-after-gmo-discovery/#.UaiQi0Ckr44>
18. *May 30, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Cheryl's issues a voluntary nationwide recall on its 1.6 oz Buttercream Frosted Cinnamon Pumpkin Cookies due to undeclared peanuts.** Approximately 10,588 individually wrapped 1.6 ounce Buttercream Frosted Cinnamon Pumpkin Cookies were recalled by Cheryl's of Westerville, Ohio because the wrapper on these affected cookies may not specifically state that the cookie contains Peanuts, a known allergen.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm354659.htm>
19. *May 30, Food Safety News* – (International) **Canadian Hazelnut recall expanded.** The Canadian Food Inspection Authority issued a warning to the public not to consume certain in shell hazelnuts because the products may be contaminated with Salmonella. The recall was expanded as part of an ongoing food safety investigation associated with a recall of bulk hazelnuts from the U.S.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/canadian-hazelnut-recall-expanded/#.UaiOBUCKr44>
20. *May 30, Food Safety News* – (National) **Multistate E. coli outbreak linked to frozen products over, CDC says.** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced May 30 the E. coli outbreak linked to the Rich Corporation's frozen food products that sickened 35 people in 19 States appears to be over, and urged consumers to discard any frozen products that remain in their households.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/05/cdc-declares-farm-rich-e-coli-outbreak-over/#.UaiNi0Ckr44>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

21. *May 30, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Water main break floods Cahuenga**

Boulevard in Hollywood. A ruptured 82-year old 12-inch water main pipe in Los Angeles split longitudinally about 8 feet May 29 spilling thousands of gallons of water onto the street, flooding an apartment building's garage and interrupting service to about 30 residential buildings. Crews worked in shifts to repair the problem within 24 hours.

Source:

http://abclocal.go.com/kabc/story?section=news/local/los_angeles&id=9120945

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

22. *May 30, KTHV 11 Little Rock* – (National) **Arkansas investigating product from compounding pharmacy.** Federal and State health officials are investigating reports of infections among 20 patients in 3 States that received steroid injections produced by Main Street Family Pharmacy, LLC. The compounding pharmacy issued a voluntary recall of all sterile products in May and authorities are urging patients that visited clinics in 15 States where the products were distributed to contact the clinic or their regular health care provider if they are experiencing symptoms.

Source: <http://www.thv11.com/news/health/267291/126/Arkansas-investigating-product-from-compounding-pharmacy>

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *May 31, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **'Powerhouse Fire' burns out of control near Castaic.** New evacuations were ordered May 31 while crews worked to contain the California's Powerhouse Fire that burned over 1,000 acres in the Angeles National Forest. At least one structure was destroyed as hundreds of residents were forced to evacuate their homes as flames spread quickly due to strong winds and warm temperatures.

Source: <http://ktla.com/2013/05/31/powerhouse-fire-burns-hundreds-of-acres-in-santa-clarita/#axzz2UsnJQa6l>

24. *May 31, Reuters* – (Washington, D.C.) **Letter sent to U.S. President being tested for ricin.** Officials intercepted a suspicious letter May 30 at a White House mail screening facility in Washington, D.C. addressed to the U.S. President. The letter was similar to the two threatening, poison-laced letters on the gun law debate mailed to the New York mayor and was sent for further testing.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/letter-sent-to-obama-being-tested-for-ricin>

25. *May 30, WGRZ 2 Buffalo* – (New York) **Main entrance of Old Fort Niagara reopens after fire.** Officials reopened the main entrance of the Old Fort Niagara in Youngstown

May 29 after it was damaged by a fire May 25.

Source: <http://www.wgrz.com/news/article/216241/13/Main-Entrance-of-Old-Fort-Niagara-Reopens-After-Fire>

26. *May 30, Maplewood Patch* – (New Jersey) **Seton Hall bomb threat a hoax, school reopens Friday.** Seton Hall University in New Jersey was evacuated May 30 after receiving an online bomb threat. Classes resumed May 31 after authorities gave the all-clear following a search of the campus and no evidence of explosive devices were found.
Source: <http://maplewood.patch.com/articles/seton-hall-university-evacuated-after-bomb-threat>
27. *May 30, Pittston Dispatch* – (Pennsylvania) **Wilkes-Barre school fire traced to outlet.** Classes were cancelled at St. Nicholas-St. Mary Elementary School in Wilkes-Barre May 30 after a fire caused by an electrical outlet, severely damaged the library. School was not yet in session and the fire was contained to the library.
Source: <http://psdispatch.com/news/local-news/557142/Wilkes-Barre-school-fire-traced-to-outlet>
28. *May 30, Lewiston Sun Journal* – (Maine) **Fake bomb found under school bus was type used for emergency training.** Classes at Phillips Elementary School in Maine were cancelled May 28 after a bus driver discovered what appeared to be a pipe bomb attached underneath a bus. Police safely removed the device, which turned out to be a nonexplosive training device left behind from a previous training exercise.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2013/05/30/news/lewiston-auburn/fake-bomb-found-under-school-bus-was-type-used-for-emergency-training/>

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Emergency Services Sector

29. *May 31, WNBC 4 New York* – (New York) **NYC's new 911 system crashes twice in 2 days: Police commissioner.** New York City's updated 9-1-1 computer system crashed twice in its first 2 days of operation causing operators to write emergencies on pieces of paper to run to dispatcher after hundreds of computer screens were shut down. The disruptions each only lasted a few minutes but caused computers at the main call center in Brooklyn to shut down, as well as satellite terminals in others rooms where dispatchers determine where to send emergency responders.
Source: <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Emergency-911-System-New-York-City-Crash-Computer-Police-Dispatch-209485851.html>
30. *May 30, Maryland Gazette* – (Maryland) **Hazmat incidences at Montgomery County emergency call center and State Park Barrack.** An emergency call center in Gaithersburg was evacuated May 30 after a bank of batteries overheated and emitted hydrogen sulfide. Authorities shut down the bank of batteries and employees were

likely dismissed for the day.

Source: <http://www.gazette.net/article/20130530/NEWS/130539957/1124/hazmat-incidences-at-montgomery-county-emergency-call-center-and&template=gazette>

31. *May 30, Riverdale Park-University Park Patch* – (Maryland) **Bladensburg police officer faces fraud charges.** Officials arrested a Bladensburg police officer May 30 in connection with a March 4 credit card theft of between \$1,000 and \$10,000.
Source: <http://riverdalepark.patch.com/articles/bladensburg-police-officer-faces-fraud-charges>

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Information Technology Sector

32. *May 31, SC Magazine* – (International) **Drupal confirms confidential breach following third party application vulnerability.** The Drupal Association confirmed that an attack that captured the user information of nearly one million users was caused by a known vulnerability in third-party software installed on company servers.
Source: <http://www.scmagazineuk.com/drupal-confirms-credential-breach-following-third-party-application-vulnerability/article/295645/>
33. *May 30, Help Net Security* – (International) **Apache server bug allows remote code execution.** A vulnerability in Apache HTTP Server which can allow attackers to compromise systems and execute arbitrary commands was disclosed by Secunia. A patch is available that closes the vulnerability.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14978>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Communications Sector

34. *May 30, KWON 1400 AM Bartlesville*– (Oklahoma) **Cell outages due to fiber break.** Several carriers' cell phone networks were degraded or shut down in the Bartlesville and Ramona areas as a result of weather which may have caused a major AT&T fiber line breakage. The outage was expected to be restored the evening of May 30.
Source: <http://bartlesvillerradio.com/pages/news/54412013/cell-outages>

35. *May 30, Peoria Journal Star* – (Illinois) **NOAA weather radio transmitters restored in central Illinois.** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather-radio network saw several radio transmitters in central Illinois go off the air for several hours May 30 after a major phone line outage. The transmitters affected included the Peoria, Jacksonville, Newton, and Springfield areas; service was restored May 30.
Source: <http://www.pjstar.com/free/x83402052/Peoria-weather-radio-transmitter-off-air>
36. *May 31, Mineral Wells Index*– (Texas) **Cut cable causes community chaos.** Widespread communication outages in Mineral Wells May 29 and 30 affected emergency services, area businesses and their payment services, landline and cellular phone services, and cable services, and limited Internet access after a construction crew cut a fiber-optic cable line. Crews worked throughout the day to restore services May 30.
Source: <http://mineralwellsindex.com/topstory/x1167601245/Outage>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

37. *May 30, Associated Press*– (Hawaii) **Kauai resort cited for health, safety violations.** Serious violations including improper storage of propane tanks, unsafe electrical work, and untrained maintenance staff after a routine inspection caused the U.S. Department of Labor’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration to propose \$48,000 in fines against the Kauai Beach Resort.
Source: <http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/209574421.html>
38. *May 31, WCBS 2 New York* – (New Jersey) **5-alarm blaze tears through Passaic apartment building.** A 5-alarm fire in a 55-unit Passaic apartment building May 31 prompted the superintendent of the nearby school district to evacuate two schools as a precaution as the blaze completely gutted a nearby structure and caused the apartment building’s roof to partially collapse. Several firefighters were treated for heat exhaustion as temperatures rose to 90 degrees.
Source: <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2013/05/31/fire-tears-through-passaic-apartment-building/>
39. *May 31, WRC-TV 4 Washington* – (Virginia) **Small plane crashes into Virginia apartment.** A Cessna 177B airplane experiencing electrical problems and low fuel crashed into a Herndon apartment building causing three people to be injured.
Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Small-Plane-Crashes-Into-Herndon-Apartment-209627221.html>

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