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- Crews worked to restore power to 34,078 ComEd customers in the Chicago region after severe thunderstorms brought strong winds and heavy rain. – *Chicago Tribune* (See item [1](#))
- An explosion and fire at an ethylene plant in Geismar, Louisiana, killed at least one person and injured 64 others. – *WAFB 9 Baton Rouge* (See item [3](#))
- Eight individuals in the U.S. and Ukraine were charged with allegedly running a cyber fraud operation that attempted to steal at least \$15 million from U.S. banking customers. – *Dark Reading* (See item [13](#))
- Colorado's Black Forest Fire destroyed at least 92 homes, damaged 5 more, and prompted evacuation and pre-evacuation orders for up to 9,500 people. – *Associated Press* (See item [32](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *June 13, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Thousands still without power after storms hit Chicago region.** Crews worked to restore power to 34,078 ComEd customers in the Chicago region after severe thunderstorms brought strong winds and heavy rain June 12.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-storms-headed-toward-chicago-could-bring-hail-tornadoes-20130612,0,4200900,full.story>
2. *June 12, WHSV 3 Harrisonburg* – (Virginia) **Harrisonburg power substation catches fire.** Authorities are investigating a fire at a Harrisonburg power substation June 12 that caused firefighters to wait roughly an hour before putting out the flames, in order for the Harrisonburg Electric Commission to re-route electrical lines to another station.
Source: <http://www.whsv.com/news/headlines/Harrisonburg-power-substation-catches-fire-211274391.html>

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Chemical Industry Sector

3. *June 13, WAFB 9 Baton Rouge* – (Louisiana) **64 injured, 1 dead in chemical plant explosion.** An explosion and fire at an ethylene plant in Geismar killed at least one person and injured 64 others, and prompted authorities to issue a shelter-in-place notice for the surrounding area and shut down two State roads nearby.
Source: <http://www.wafb.com/story/22581898/report-six-burn-victims-hospitalized-after-chemical-plant-explosion>
4. *June 12, KXLH 9 Helena* – (Montana) **Hazmat crews on scene of Missoula chemical spill.** HAZMAT crews assessed a 5,000 to 7,000 gallon spill of citric, phosphoric, and sulfuric acids spilled after a valve was accidentally left open at Spectrum Products in Missoula.
Source: <http://www.kxlh.com/news/hazmat-crews-on-scene-of-missoula-chemical-spill/>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

5. *June 12, South Jersey Times* – (New Jersey) **PSEG Nuclear's Hope Creek reactor shut down following water pump failure.** The Hope Creek nuclear power plant in Lower Alloways Creek Township was manually shut down after a water pump failed June 12.
Source:
http://www.nj.com/salem/index.ssf/2013/06/pseg_nuclears_hope_creek_reactor_shut_down_following_water_pump_failure.html

6. *June 12, Asahi Shimbun* – (International) **Damaged reactor building at Fukushima plant fully covered.** The No. 4 reactor building at the damaged Fukushima nuclear power plant in Japan was covered with a canopy that will prevent further leakage and enable removal of spent nuclear fuel inside.

Source: <http://ajw.asahi.com/article/0311disaster/fukushima/AJ201306120039>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

7. *June 13, KNSD 7 San Diego* – (National) **Brake booster recall affects 18,000 Honda owners.** Honda announced a recall of a total of 18,352 model year 2006 Acura RSX and model years 2006-2007 Honda S2000 vehicles due to a possible production error affecting brake boosters.

Source: <http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/california/Honda-Acura-Recall-Brake-Booster-RSX-S2000--211390931.html>

8. *June 13, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Connecticut) **US Labor Department's OSHA cites Nucap US Inc. for 17 serious safety violations at Watertown, Conn., manufacturing plant.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Nucap USA Inc. for 17 serious violations at its Watertown facility, with fines totaling \$55,505.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=24189

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

9. *June 13, Lisbon Morning Journal* – (Ohio; Pennsylvania) **Trucking executives guilty of bank fraud.** The former CEO and CFO of Dart Trucking were found guilty in a \$3.6 million check kiting scheme that involved checks written from accounts at Huntington Bank in Columbiana, Ohio.

Source: <http://www.morningjournalnews.com/page/content.detail/id/547476/Trucking-executives-guilty-of-bank-fraud.html>

10. *June 13, Huntington Patch* – (New York) **Man accused of skimming ATM.** Suffolk County Police arrested a Romanian national on charges of installing a skimmer and pinhole camera at the Astoria Federal Savings bank in Huntington Station and stealing \$9,700. He was previously arrested in March for skimming at an Astoria Federal

Savings bank in Kings Park.

Source: http://huntington.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/man-accused-of-skimming-atm_e9404e5e

11. *June 12, Lake Minnetonka Patch* – (Minnesota) **Federal jury convicts Mound man of fraud in connection with Ponzi scheme.** A hedge fund manager from Mound was convicted for his role in a \$30 million Ponzi scheme run by Petters Company Inc. Source: <http://lakeminnetonka.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/federal-jury-convicts-mound-man-of-fraud-in-connection-with-peters-ponzi-scheme>
12. *June 12, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (International) **SEC announces more charges in massive kickback scheme to secure business of Venezuelan bank.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged the former head of Direct Access Partner's Miami office for his alleged involvement in a \$66 million kickback scheme involving Venezuelan bank Banco de Desarrollo Económico y Social de Venezuela. Source: <https://www.sec.gov/news/press/2013/2013-109.htm>
13. *June 12, Dark Reading* – (International) **8 charged in \$15 million attempted cyber fraud targeting U.S. banking customers.** A complaint filed by the U.S. Secret Service charged eight individuals in the U.S. and Ukraine with allegedly running a fraud operation that attempted to steal at least \$15 million from U.S. banking customers that included hacking into financial institutions' systems and making fraudulent purchases and ATM withdrawals. Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/attacks-breaches/8-charged-in-15-million-attempted-cyber/240156577>
14. *June 12, Bloomberg News* – (New York) **Ex-broker pleads guilty to fraud conspiracy charge.** A former LinkBrokers Derivatives Corp. broker pleaded guilty to misrepresenting the prices of securities bought and sold for clients, working with three alleged co-conspirators to illegally defraud customers of \$18.7 million. Source: <http://www.businessweek.com/news/2013-06-12/ex-broker-chouchane-pleads-guilty-to-fraud-conspiracy-charge-1>

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Transportation Systems Sector

15. *June 13, Associated Press* – (Alabama) **Ga. trucker killed in Al. interstate crash.** A June 12 four-vehicle crash involving two semi-trucks left one person dead and three others injured, prompting authorities to close portions of Interstate 85 in Shorter for several hours to investigate. Source: <http://www.11alive.com/news/article/295796/3/Ga-trucker-killed-in-Ala-interstate-crash>

16. *June 13, WATE 6 Knoxville* – (Tennessee) **2 killed, several injured in crash along I-24 E in Rutherford County.** A fatal accident June 13 involving two tractor trailers and eight other vehicles closed Interstate 24 near the exit for South Church Street in Rutherford County for several hours while authorities responded to the incident. Two victims were killed and several others were injured.
Source: <http://www.wate.com/story/22578485/accident-i-24>
17. *June 13, Newark Advocate* – (Ohio) **I-70 near Brownsville Road reopening after crash, fuel spill.** An accident involving a tractor trailer which leaked fuel closed eastbound lanes of Interstate 70 near the Brownsville Road exit in Gratiot for nearly 5 hours June 13.
Source: <http://www.newarkadvocate.com/article/20130613/NEWS01/306130003/EPA-investigating-leak-after-Interstate-70-crash-lane-open>
18. *June 13, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **One lane of I-91 open after fiery truck crash.** Authorities closed northbound lanes of Interstate 91 in Holyoke for nearly 8 hours June 13 after a tractor-trailer unit collided with another heavy vehicle, causing the truck to burst into flames and spill diesel fuel.
Source: http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2013/06/one_lane_of_i-91_open_after_fi.html
19. *June 13, Akron Beacon Journal* – (Ohio) **1 person killed in head-on collision on Route 18 in Medina; 2 in serious condition.** A head-on collision June 13 closed Route 18 between Boneta Road and Route 94 in Medina for over 2 hours while authorities responded to the accident that killed one person and left two others in serious condition.
Source: <http://www.ohio.com/news/medina-crash-closes-portion-of-state-route-18-medical-helicopters-dispatched-1.405644>
20. *June 13, Toledo Blade* – (Ohio) **Tractor-trailers crash, tie up I-75 in north Toledo for hours.** A June 12 collision involving two tractor-trailers and a fuel spill closed Interstate 75 in north Toledo for several hours. In a separate incident, an underground cable fire led to several explosions which blew manhole covers out of the streets and prompted authorities to close the intersection of Summit and Cherry Streets as well as the Martin Luther King Bridge for 14 hours while crews responded to the incident.
Source: <http://www.toledoblade.com/Police-Fire/2013/06/13/Tractor-trailers-crash-tie-up-I-75-in-North-Toledo-for-hours.html>
21. *June 12, Modesto Bee* – (California) **Merced woman dies in three-vehicle crash near Patterson.** A fatal multi-vehicle accident June 12 in which one woman died and four others were injured closed Highway 33 near Zacharias Road north in Patterson for nearly 3 hours while authorities investigated and cleared the scene.
Source: <http://www.modbee.com/2013/06/12/2758886/fatal-accident-on-highway-33-near.html>

For additional stories, see items [3](#) and [9](#)

Food and Agriculture Sector

22. *June 13, U.S. Food Safety and Inspection Service* – (National) **AL firm recalls beef jerky products due to misbranding, undeclared allergen.** Approximately 1,800 pounds of flavored beef jerky products was recalled by Alabama-based Hickory Hallow Jerky, LLC because of misbranding and an undeclared allergen as the products contain Worcestershire sauce and fish (anchovy paste).
Source: <http://www.wtvm.com/story/22575906/al-firm-recalls-beef-jerky-products-due-to-misbranding-undeclared-allergen>
23. *June 12, Food Safety News* – (National) **99 sickened in hepatitis A outbreak linked to frozen berries.** Around 99 people in 8 States are now known to have been sickened in the ongoing hepatitis A outbreak tied to a frozen organic berry mix sold at Costco and Harris Teeter stores.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/06/99-sickened-in-hepatitis-a-outbreak-linked-to-frozen-berries/>
24. *June 12, U.S. Food Safety and Inspection Service* – (California; Nevada) **California firm recalls salad product containing chicken due to misbranding and undeclared allergen.** Roughly 678 pounds of BBQ Flavored Ranch Salad with Chicken product was recalled by Taylor Farms Pacific because of misbranding and an undeclared allergen, as the packaged salad dressing contains egg.
Source: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_038_2013_Release/index.asp
25. *June 12, Food Safety News* – (National) **Sunflower seeds and snack mixes recalled for Listeria risk.** Michigan-based Lipari Foods issued a voluntary recall of its Raw Sunflower Seeds, Roasted Sunflower Seeds, and Snack Mixes June 12 after testing determined the raw sunflower seeds were contaminated with Listeria. The company is investigating the source of the contamination and believes the bacteria likely originated from the supplier.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/06/sunflower-seeds-and-snack-mixes-recalled-for-listeria-risk/>
26. *June 11, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Texas) **Julian's Recipe issues voluntary withdrawal of European Style Pretzel Baguette Boxes at HEB Stores in Texas.** Julian's Recipe, LLC voluntarily withdrew its European Style Pretzel Baguette packages from HEB Stores in Texas because specific packages of Pretzel Baguettes may contain Julian's European Style Multigrain Garlic Baguettes, which are made with soy flour, a potential allergen.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm356454.htm>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

27. *June 13, Buck's County Courier Times* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP to investigate second Horsham well contamination.** The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is looking into dichloroethene contamination of private wells in Horsham Township. The DEP urged township officials to close the wells, install a water line, and hook up the two residential areas affected by the two contaminants. Source: http://www.phillyburbs.com/my_town/willow_grove/dep-to-investigate-second-horsham-well-contamination/article_6ed0a30f-87a0-5004-a571-3f09fefa7869.html
28. *June 12, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **More sinkhole problems in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.** Two new sinkholes disrupted traffic in Cape Girardeau, including one which is causing the nearby LaCroix Creek to flood into a quarry. There have been 18 new sinkholes in the Cape Girardeau area in the past 2 months, prompting city leaders to arrange meetings with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to discuss the issue. Source: <http://www.insurancejournal.com/news/midwest/2013/06/12/295149.htm>
29. *June 12, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Jackson approves \$20,000 to investigate source of water contamination.** The Village of Jackson's Public Works Director announced June 12 that the village would spend up to \$20,000 to investigate the source of benzene contamination at a municipal well and will look at nearby storage tanks which hold petroleum products, among other possible sources. Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/ozwash/jackson-approves-20000-to-investigate-source-of-water-contamination-b9932393z1-211223361.html>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

30. *June 13, Kokomo Tribune* – (Indiana) **Flood-damaged senior center closed.** Extensive flooding in April caused \$200,000 in damages and prompted Kokomo Senior Center in Indiana to close for repairs until August. Source: <http://kokomotribune.com/local/x1912984514/Flood-damaged-Senior-Center-closed>
31. *June 12, Associated Press* – (Oklahoma) **Official: Accreditation of medical helicopter service placed on hold after SE Oklahoma crash.** The Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems placed the accreditation of Kansas-based EagleMed LLC on hold following the third crash of one of its medical helicopters in Oklahoma since 2010. Officials are investigating the June 11 crash and will decide on revoking accreditation once the investigation is complete. Source: <http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/410dcf4dc8e8453b89b1b7213571f501/OK--Medical-Helicopter-Crash>

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Government Facilities Sector

32. *June 13, Associated Press* – (Colorado; National) **Colorado wildfire destroys 92 homes, forces thousands to flee.** Colorado's Black Forest Fire destroyed at least 92 homes, damaged 5 more, and prompted evacuation and pre-evacuation orders for up to 9,500 people. Firefighters continued to battle other fires in New Mexico, Oregon, and California as more evacuations orders were released and structures were destroyed.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2013/06/13/thousands-flee-colo-wildfire-2-homes-destroyed/>
33. *June 13, Norman Transcript* – (Oklahoma) **McClain County sheriff threatened.** Authorities filed charges against a man June 12 for sending an email threatening to kill the McClain County sheriff, a detective, and the governor of Oklahoma's child. The man believed all three were responsible for the death of his child as well as theft of his personal property.
Source: <http://normantranscript.com/headlines/x2113329751/McClain-County-sheriff-threatened>
34. *June 13, Sauk Prairie Eagle* – (Wisconsin) **Sauk Prairie High School evacuated for minor fire.** Classes were cancelled or moved for the remainder of June 12 at Sauk Prairie High School in Prairie du Sac after a construction crew accidentally caused a small fire. The fire was contained and put out quickly by firefighters causing minimal damage.
Source: http://www.wiscnews.com/news/local/article_c4f9f78c-d3d7-11e2-8cfc-0019bb2963f4.html

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Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

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Information Technology Sector

35. *June 12, Softpedia* – (International) **Chinese bootkit Guntior abuses Windows Help Center.** Researchers at Sophos analyzed a recent version of the Guntior bootkit's dropper and found that it utilizes a legitimate Windows executable file from Windows Help Center.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Chinese-Bootkit-Guntior-Abuses-Windows-Help-Center-360472.shtml>
36. *June 12, Softpedia* – (International) **Open redirect vulnerability identified in Facebook.** A researcher from illSecure.com revealed a low-risk open redirect

vulnerability in Facebook.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Open-Redirect-Vulnerability-Identified-in-Facebook-Video-360583.shtml>

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

37. *June 13, WLTX 19 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Large fire burns apt. complex near Carolina Stadium.** A fire at The Club at Carolina Stadium, a three-story 24-unit apartment complex in Columbia, destroyed nine units, displaced at least 21 people, and caused \$352,000 in damages.

Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/239572/2/Crews-Battling-Apartment-Fire-Behind-Carolina-Stadium>

38. *June 13, WGCL 46 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Good Samaritan grabs extinguisher during apartment fire, alerts residents.** A fire at the Sienna Heights apartment complex in Norcross displaced 14 families and damaged 10 units with fire or smoke damage June 12.

Source: <http://www.cbsatlanta.com/story/22577858/good-samaritan-grabs-extinguisher-during-apartment-fire-alerts-residents>

39. *June 12, Murfreesboro Daily News Journal* – (Tennessee) **Bomb threat closes Patterson Park; center reopens Thursday.** A bomb threat made to the Patterson Park Community Center in Murfreesboro June 12 led to a 4-hour closure and a search of the facility, resulting in no bombs being found. The center was scheduled to reopen June 13.

Source: <http://www.dnj.com/article/20130612/NEWS/306120040/Bomb-threat-closes-Patterson-Park-center-reopens-Thursday>

40. *June 12, Iowa City Patch* – (Iowa) **Suspicious package blown up by bomb squad during art festival revealed to be piece of art.** A suspicious package left in a newspaper vending machine prompted Iowa City Police to dispose of the device by water cannon June 12, which was later discovered to be an art sculpture made with

electronics parts.

Source: <http://iowacity.patch.com/groups/editors-picks/p/suspicious-package-blown-up-by-iowa-city-bomb-squad-during-art-festival-revealed-to-be-piece-of-art>

41. *June 12, Associated Press; Des Moines Register* – (Iowa) **Des Moines explosions force power outages.** A fault in underground cable wiring caused two underground explosions in Des Moines and cut power to several buildings June 12.
Source: <http://www.keyc.tv/story/22570116/2-buildings-evacuated-after-2-des-moines-blasts>
42. *June 12, Associated Press* – (Rhode Island) **5 more beaches in RI closed to swimming.** Rhode Island health officials announced June 12 the closure of Narragansett Town beach, North Kingston Town beach, City Park and Oakland Beach in Warwick, and Barrington Town beach to swimming due to high bacteria counts. The reported beaches will remain closed until safe bacteria levels are seen during water quality tests.
Source: <http://www.westport-news.com/news/science/article/5-more-beaches-in-RI-closed-to-swimming-4596869.php>

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Dams Sector

43. *June 13, Idaho Press-Tribune* – (Idaho) **Canal repairs scheduled after Emmett landslide.** A leak in the Northside Canal in Emmett was believed to be the cause of a landslide on nearby Highway 52, prompting the Emmett Irrigation District to schedule repairs to be completed by June 15.
Source: http://www.idahopress.com/members/canal-repairs-scheduled-after-emmett-landslide/article_c4c3ebb6-d3e5-11e2-9ab8-001a4bcf887a.html
44. *June 12, Gloversville Leader-Herald* – (New York) **Rain forces canal closure.** Three days of heavy rainfall prompted the New York State Canal Corp to temporarily close sections of the Erie Canal that were high and flowing quickly. The sections will remain closed until the water stabilizes and travel is safe.
Source: <http://www.leaderherald.com/page/content.detail/id/556691/Rain-forces-canal-closure.html>

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