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Energy Sector

1. *July 30, Newark Star-Ledger* – (Pennsylvania; New Jersey) **Appeals court upholds stricter pollution controls on Pa. coal plant.** The NRG Energy-owned Portland Generating Station in Upper Mount Bethel Township signed an agreement with Pennsylvania to stop burning coal and to possibly switch to natural gas after a federal appeals court in New Jersey upheld a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's demands for the coal plant to reduce its sulfur dioxide emissions. The plant was releasing ash and soot that blew over the border and into New Jersey neighborhoods.
Source:
http://www.nj.com/warren/index.ssf/2013/07/appeals_court_upholds_stricter_pollution_controls_on_pa_coal_plant_which_could_switch_to_natural_gas.html
2. *July 30, Associated Press* – (South Carolina) **As part of settlement, SCE&G removes 280K tons of coal ash from Wateree River.** South Carolina Electric & Gas removed 280,000 tons of coal ash from lagoons in Wateree River in Columbia July 30, ahead of schedule, as part of a settlement to remove 2.4 million tons of coal ash by the end of 2020. The company was accused of illegally discharging arsenic and other contaminants into the river from their Wateree Station.
Source:
<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/b799ae4e793e4de98eb9a19254fad47a/SC--Coal-Plant-Lawsuit>

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Financial Services Sector

3. *July 30, New York Times* – (California) **Ex-stock analyst charged with insider trading in case tied to SAC indictment.** FBI agents arrested a former research analyst in San Jose accused of providing insider information to two firms, including SAC Capital Advisors, ahead of a 2009 joint venture between Microsoft and Yahoo.
Source: <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2013/07/30/prosecutors-charge-technology-stock-analyst-in-sac-case/>
4. *July 30, American Banker* – (New Jersey) **Check-kiting scam sinks earnings at Liberty Bell Bank.** Liberty Bell Bank of Marlton reported in a quarterly report that it had been the victim of a check kiting scheme by a commercial customer that caused up to \$2.1 million in losses. Other banks in the area reported being victims of the same scheme.
Source: http://www.americanbanker.com/issues/178_146/check-kiting-scam-sinks-earnings-at-liberty-bell-bank-1060971-1.html
5. *July 30, Reuters* – (International) **SEC sues ex-Santander executive, ex-Spanish judge for insider trading.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged a former Spanish judge and a former Banco Santander SA executive with insider trading after the executive allegedly shared insider information with the judge, resulting in nearly \$1 million in illicit profits.
Source: <http://ca.reuters.com/article/businessNews/idCABRE96T1B620130730>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *July 31, Jamestown Sun* – (North Dakota) **One killed in crash near Killdeer.** A fatal crash closed North Dakota Highway 200 near Killdeer for about 5 hours July 31.
Source: <http://www.jamestownsun.com/event/article/id/192005/group/News/>
7. *July 30, WSOC 9 Charlotte* – (North Carolina) **DOT truck crashes into car in west Charlotte.** A crash in which two people were sent to a hospital closed West Boulevard at Barringer Drive in west Charlotte for over 3 hours July 30.
Source: <http://www.wsoc9.com/news/news/local/dot-truck-crashes-car-west-charlotte/nY7mR/>
8. *July 30, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Denver doctor comes to rescue after hit-and-run crash.** A crash at a bus stop closed Westbound Colfax at Josephine Street in Denver for over 2 hours as police emergency officials responded to the scene.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/breakingnews/ci_23761331/people-injured-by-car-near-colfax-and-josephine

9. *July 30, Port Clinton News Herald* – (Ohio) **One person dies in crash on U.S. 6.** A fatal two-vehicle collision closed U.S. Route 6 in Townsend Township for about 4 hours July 30.
Source: <http://www.portclintonnewsheald.com/article/20130730/NEWS01/307300006>
10. *July 30, Cranberry Patch* – (Pennsylvania) **Man injured in I-79 rollover crash near Cranberry exit.** A roll-over accident in which one person was injured closed Interstate 79 near Cranberry for several hours July 30.
Source: <http://cranberry.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/man-injured-in-i79-rollover-crash-near-cranberry-interchange>
11. *July 30, KTVN 2 Reno*– (Nevada) **Child dies in accident on Highway 50.** A fatal multi-vehicle accident closed Highway 50 near South Lake Tahoe for about 2 hours July 30.
Source: <http://www.ktvn.com/story/22973748/three-car-accident-shuts-down-highway-50>
12. *July 30, Tampa Tribune* – (Florida) **Dump truck crash shuts down U.S. 41 for two hours.** A dump truck crashed into a utility pole and closed U.S. Highway 41 in Apollo Beach for nearly 2 hours July 30. The accident caused power lines to fall and cover both northbound and southbound lanes of the highway.
Source: <http://tbo.com/news/crime/dump-truck-crash-shuts-down-us-41-for-two-hours-20130730/>
13. *July 30, Modesto Bee* – (California) **132 reopens after big rigs collide west of Modesto.** A collision involving a big rig hauling 50,000 pounds of frozen cookie dough closed Highway 132 near Modesto for over 3 hours July 30.
Source: <http://www.modbee.com/2013/07/30/2835281/big-rig-collision-closes-highway.html> For additional stories, see items

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Food and Agriculture Sector

14. *July 30, Food Safety News* – (National) **Bagged Salad mix implicated in cyclospora outbreak.** A now-expired, prepackaged salad mix is believed to have caused the Cyclospora outbreak that has sickened at least 373 people in 15 States, according to Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals officials. An investigation found a connection to the salad mix in 80 percent of case patients.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/07/bagged-salad-mix-implicated-in-cyclospora-outbreak/>
15. *July 30, Reuters* – (International) **China bans Arkansas poultry after mild bird flu strain.** According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service imports of poultry and poultry products from Arkansas were banned by China after a low-pathogenic strain of avian influenza was found in the State in June.

Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/china-bans-arkansas-poultry-mild-bird-flu-strain-194101528.html>

16. *July 29, U.S. Department of Labor* – (National) **The Western Sugar Cooperative in Montana cited by US Labor Department's OSHA for 17 safety violations; \$193,300 in proposed fines.** The Western Sugar Cooperative in Billings was cited by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration for 17 violations of safety and health standards, including 12 serious and four repeat, with \$193,300 in proposed fines.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=24447
17. *July 27, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Lipari Foods recalls Wholey Peeled Cooked Tail-on 31/40 count shrimp because of possible health risk.** Wholey peeled, cooked, tail-on 31/40 count shrimp was recalled by Lipari Foods because the product has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm362985.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

18. *July 31, WBNS 10 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Water main break disrupts service in London.** Water service across the city of London, Ohio, was disrupted July 31 after a water main break at the city's main plant caused the water pressure to drop and prompted health department to close all restaurants in town. Repairs were expected to take up to 24 hours and the city was under a 48 hour boil advisory once water service was restored.
Source: <http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2013/07/31/london-water-main-break-reported.html>
19. *July 30, Springfield News-Sun* – (Ohio) **Clark OKs \$7.6M upgrade to plant.** Commissioners approved the \$7.6 million expansion of the Southwest Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant in Medway July 30, with construction set to begin in September. The upgrade will double the plant's daily capacity and improve water quality.
Source: <http://www.springfieldnewssun.com/news/news/local/clark-oks-76m-upgrade-to-plant/nY8Jg/>
20. *July 30, Wilmington Star News* – (North Carolina) **Sewage spill spews 442,000 gallons of wastewater.** About 442,000 gallons of untreated wastewater spilled into Hewletts Creek in New Hanover County after lightning during a July 29 rainstorm caused a power failure and a subsequent transformer failure on the backup systems at a Cape Fear Public Utility Authority pump station. Water quality test results from various locations around the site were expected back July 31.
Source:

<http://www.starnewsonline.com/article/20130730/ARTICLES/130739965?tc=ar>

21. *July 29, Gainesville Sun* – (Florida) **Sewage spill was close to 1 million gallons.** Water tests continued after 900,000 gallons of sewage flowed into Hogtown and Possum creeks after a Gainesville Regional Utilities' main broke July 26 and crews were forced to release wastewater in order to make repairs. A precautionary boil water advisory remained in effect until testing on drinking wells around the area was complete.
Source: <http://www.gainesville.com/article/20130729/ARTICLES/130729583?tc=ar>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

22. *July 31, Cleveland Sun News* – (Ohio) **Building evacuated following transformer explosion in Shaker Heights.** The University Hospitals Management Services Center in Shaker Heights was evacuated and closed July 29 after a transformer explosion led to a partial building power outage. Crews shut off all power to the center to fix the problem and reopened the center July 30.
Source: http://www.cleveland.com/shaker-heights/index.ssf/2013/07/building_evacuated_following_t.html

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *July 31, Help Net Security* – (Delaware) **72k people affected by University of Delaware hack.** The University of Delaware notified nearly 72,000 current and former employees their personal information, including Social Security numbers, were accessed after a hacker managed to breach one of the school's systems by taking advantage of a vulnerability in software acquired from a vendor.
Source: <https://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=15325>
24. *July 31, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Small gains made to contain Aspen fire.** Crews reached 35 percent containment of California's Aspen Fire that burned through 14,332 acres July 31. The U.S. Forest Service estimated the cost of the fire at \$10.6 million.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2013/07/30/3415807/small-gains-made-to-contain-aspen.html>
25. *July 31, V3.co.uk* – (National) **NASA cloud computing use blasted for security and management failings.** A report published by the U.S. Office of Inspector General determined the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's cloud services did not meet critical IT security requirements and the administration did not perform annual tests of security controls, creating the potential for serious disruptions to operations.
Source: <http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2285791/nasa-cloud-computing-use-blasted-for-security-and-management-failings>
26. *July 30, CSO* – (National) **Universities putting sensitive data at risk via unsecure**

email. A survey conducted by Halock Security Labs determined colleges and universities put the financial and personal information of students and parents at risk when they allow them to submit such data to the school through unencrypted email. The vulnerability is more prominent in smaller schools and community colleges as larger universities tend have better security measures in place, according to the report. Source: <https://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/073013-universities-putting-sensitive-data-at-272324.html>

27. *July 30, KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **Bastrop County brush fire 75 percent contained.** Firefighters reached 75 percent containment of a 252-acre brush fire burning in Bastrop County July 30.
Source: <http://www.kvue.com/news/Firefighters-monitoring-brushfire-in-Bastrop-County-217566481.html>
28. *July 30, U.S. Forest Service; Six Rivers National Forest* – (California) **Dance Fire spreads to 650 acres, 25 percent contained.** Crews reached 25 percent containment July 30 of California's Dance Fire after it burned through 650 acres. One residence and several outbuildings were destroyed as evacuations were ordered for residents around Orleans.
Source: http://www.times-standard.com/breakingnews/ci_23759490/dance-fire-spreads-350-acres

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Emergency Services Sector

29. *July 30, St. Paul Pioneer Press* – (Minnesota) **Stillwater prison still on lockdown for 'security operations.'** The Minnesota Correctional Facility-Stillwater continued its lockdown July 30 after the main unit of the prison was locked down and visitation was suspended July 25. Officials stated security operations were still ongoing.
Source: http://www.twincities.com/localnews/ci_23759234/stillwater-prison-still-lockdown-security-operations
30. *July 30, WMC-TV 5 Memphis* – (Arkansas; Tennessee) **Sheriff's office substation burned by arsonist.** Officials asked for the public's help in the investigation of a possible arson after the Tipton County Sheriff's Office substation on Centennial Island, Tennessee, near the Arkansas border was set on fire July 23.
Source: <http://tiptoncounty.wmctv.com/news/news/178432-sheriffs-office-substation-burned-arsonist>
31. *July 30, Associated Press; Baton Rouge Advocate* – (Louisiana) **State auditors criticized Kentwood Police Dept. for failing to keep track of traffic tickets.** An audit released July 29 by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Office criticized the Kentwood Police Department for failing to keep track of traffic tickets and letting some go unprocessed in court. As a result, the police chief will draft a written policy for departmental traffic citation procedures in order to prevent future traffic citations going unprocessed.

Source:

<http://www.tribtown.com/view/story/91abfb9c09dc4e628db7a4dcc22613f1/LA--Audit-Kentwood-PD>

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Information Technology Sector

32. *July 31, SC Magazine* – (International) **Ubuntu forums back online after attack analysis reveals XSS tactic.** The Ubuntu user forums returned to service July 30 after an attacker accessed a moderator account, post announcements, and private messages. The attacker was believed to have used a cross-site scripting (XSS) attack to gain access.
Source: <http://www.scmagazineuk.com/ubuntu-forums-back-online-after-attack-analysis-reveals-xss-tactic/article/305321/>
33. *July 30, IDG News Service* – (International) **Bogus Chrome, Firefox extensions pilfer social media accounts.** Trend Micro researchers discovered two malicious browser extensions for Chrome and Firefox that can hijack Twitter, Facebook, and Google+ accounts if installed.
Source: https://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9241250/Bogus_Chrome_Firefox_extensions_pilfer_social_media_accounts
34. *July 30, Network World* – (International) **Shorter, higher-speed DDoS attacks on the rise, Arbor Networks says.** Arbor Networks released statistics on distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack and found that the speed of DDoS attacks increased over those in 2012, but that 86 percent of attacks lasted less than 1 hour, among other findings.
Source: <https://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/073013-ddos-attacks-arbor-272319.html>

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

35. *July 30, Ashburn-Leesburg Today* – (Virginia) **Verizon reports Ashburn phone outage.** About 1,100 phone lines in the Ashburn area lost service for several hours July 30 after a Verizon fiber cable was accidentally cut in front of Broad Run High School. Verizon technicians worked to replace 400 feet of cable and restore services.
Source: <http://www.leesburgtoday.com/news/ashburn/verizon-reports-ashburn-phone->

outage/article_57607654-f94a-11e2-809b-001a4bcf887a.html

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Commercial Facilities Sector

36. *July 31, San Francisco Bay City News* – (California) **Businesses evacuated after PG&E gas leak.** PG&E crews are investigating the cause of a July 30 gas leak which prompted the evacuation of several businesses along a busy Mountain View street in California for several hours.
Source: <http://mountainview.patch.com/groups/politics-and-elections/p/businesses-evacuate-after-pge-gas-leak>
37. *July 31, WXMI 17 Grand Rapids* – (Michigan) **Neighbors & fire crews help residents escape from apartment fire.** Authorities are investigating the cause of a fire at Kent Ridge Apartments in Kent City July 31 in which 19 residents were displaced.
Source: <http://fox17online.com/2013/07/31/neighbors-fire-crews-help-residents-escape-from-apartment-fire/#axzz2adTW5W8a>
38. *July 30, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **3 children injured when vehicle slams into day care.** Three children and one adult were injured in a July 30 crash that sent one vehicle through the front of Christian Academy Child Care in Kansas City.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/3-children-injured-when-vehicle-slams-into-day-care>
39. *July 30, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Fire causes \$1m in damage to Scottsmen Apartments in Clovis.** A young child playing with matches is responsible for the July 30 blaze at Scottsmen Apartments in Clovis which caused \$1 million in damages, displaced 40 people, and destroyed or damaged 13 units.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2013/07/30/3415350/fire-damages-clovis-apartments.html>

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Dams Sector

40. *July 30, Westbrook Tri-Town Weekly* – (Maine) **Pownal dam comes down.** The Randall Mill Dam in Pownal, Maine, was completely removed July 26 as part of an ongoing project to restore safe passage for fish and aquatic wildlife within the 985-square-mile Casco Bay Watershed. The dam was previously used to support both lumber and grist mills.
Source: http://www.keepmecurrent.com/tri_town_weekly/community/pownal-dam-comes-down/article_422d3b76-f8b6-11e2-86aa-001a4bcf887a.html
41. *July 30, Dredging Today* – (Washington) **Army Corps to replace damaged levee**

near Gleed (USA). U.S. Army Corps of Engineers began tearing down a damaged levee near the Powerhouse Road Bridge in Gleed July 30 and will replace it with a 1,700 foot- long setback levee to restore the area's flood-protection to a 10-year level.

Source: <http://www.dredgingtoday.com/2013/07/30/army-corps-to-replace-damaged-levee-near-gleed-usa/>

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