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- Ford Motor Co. agreed to a \$17.4 million settlement with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for delaying the recall on 421,000 Escape vehicles that had gas pedals which could become stuck. *CNN* (See item <u>5</u>)
- According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at least 378 people in 16 States were sickened in a noted uptick in cyclospora infections between early June and early July. – *Food Safety News* (See item <u>14</u>)
- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration warned diabetes patients about the recall of 62 million strips used to test blood sugar levels and made by Nova Diabetes Care after the strips were contaminated with a chemical used in the manufacturing process, which interferes with readings. *Associated Press* (See item <u>20</u>)
- Firefighters reached 25 percent containment of Washington's Colockum Tarps Fire July 31 after it burned through 70,000 acres. *Yakima Herald-Republic* (See item 23)

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Energy Sector

- July 31, Bakersfield Californian (California) Investigators find illegal dumping at second Vintage oil field sump. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board said California may want to test other sumps owned by Vintage Production California LLC, part of Los Angeles-based Occidental Petroleum Corp., after they discovered the company discharged oilfield fluids into two sumps near Shafter. Vintage stated they would address the issues raised by the water board. Source: <u>http://www.bakersfieldcalifornian.com/business/oil/x693652758/Investigatorsfind-illegal-dumping-at-second-Vintage-oil-field-sump</u>
- July 31, Associated Press (Florida) Propane leaks capped after plant explosion. Officials capped all propane leaks July 31 after a series of explosions July 26 at the Blue Rhino propane plant in Tavares that left 8 injured and caused a massive fire. Source: <u>http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/state/propane-continues-to-burnafter-plant-explosion</u>
- 3. July 31, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Utah) Chevron to pay \$384,000 penalty and improve emission controls to resolve Clean Air Act violations at Salt Lake City refinery. San Ramon-based Chevron reached a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency July 31 to pay a \$384,000 penalty and overhaul and install pollution controls on three engines at their Salt Lake City refinery after alleged violations of the Clean Air Act after an inspection. Source:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/d0cf6618525a9efb85257359003fb69d/657de d8cd8f650b785257bb9007d3eb2!OpenDocument

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. July 31, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – (Massachusetts) Billerica, Mass. Company to Pay \$2.6+ Million for Alleged Pesticide Violations. The EMD Millipore Corporation agreed to pay \$2,681,500 in civil penalties to settle allegations from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that it violated the federal pesticide law and regulations on numerous instances over several years. Source:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/CE0D13AC337FE52685257BB900603F21

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. August 1, CNN – (National) Ford to pay \$17.4 million fine for delaying recall. Ford Motor Co. agreed to a \$17.4 million settlement with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for delaying the recall on 421,000 Escape vehicles that had gas pedals which could become stuck. Source: http://money.cnn.com/2013/08/01/autos/ford-nhtsa-recall-fine/

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

6. July 31, U.S. Attorney's Office, Central District of California – (California) Eight linked to fraudulent mortgage brokerage in Ventura County that generated millions in sales arrested in federal case. Federal and Ventura County authorities arrested eight individuals July 31 for allegedly running a mortgage fraud scheme through New Concepts Home Loans that cost lenders more than \$11 million. Source: <u>http://www.fbi.gov/losangeles/press-releases/2013/eight-linked-to-fraudulentmortgage-brokerage-in-ventura-county-that-generated-millions-in-sales-arrested-infederal-case</u>

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Transportation Systems Sector

 July 31, Prescott Daily Courier – (Arizona) Injury accident slows Highway 69 at Fain Road. A five-car accident at the intersection of Fain Road and Highway 69 in Prescott Valley restricted traffic to one lane in each direction for several hours and sent multiple people to hospitals July 31. Source:

http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID=1&SubsectionID=1&ArticleID=121818

- July 31, CarsonNow.org (Nevada) One dead in three-vehicle Highway 50 crash near Lake Tahoe. A fatal three-vehicle accident closed all lanes on Highway 50 near Lake Tahoe for 5 hours July 31. Source: <u>http://carsonnow.org/story/07/31/2013/dead-three-vehicle-highway-50-crashnear-lake-tahoe</u>
- 9. July 31, West Central Tribune (Minnesota) Emergency road closure on Highway 4 near Paynesville, Minn. A crash closed Highway 4, just south of Highway 55 near

Paynesville for over 2 hours July 31. Source: <u>http://www.wctrib.com/content/emergency-road-closure-highway-4-near-paynesville-minn</u>

- July 31, WBRC 6 Birmingham (Alabama) 1 killed, 1 arrested in Tuscaloosa crash. A police chase that ended in a fatal crash shut down part of Highway 82 in Tuscaloosa for several hours July 31. Source: <u>http://www.myfoxal.com/story/22974810/one-killed-in-head-on-collision-intuscaloosa</u>
- 11. July 31, Bellingham Herald (Washington) SSA Marine pays \$1.65 million to settle lawsuit over land clearing. Pacific International Terminals agreed to pay \$1.65 million to settle a lawsuit stemming from the company's unauthorized land-clearing work at a Cherry Point property in 2011. Source: <u>http://www.bellinghamherald.com/2013/07/31/3122404/ssa-marine-pays-165-million-to.html</u>
- July 31, Duncan Banner (Oklahoma) Man dies in Highway 7 wreck. A fatal accident closed Oklahoma State Highway 7 in Duncan for over 4 hours July 31. Source: <u>http://duncanbanner.com/local/x18080950/Man-dies-in-Highway-7-wreck</u>
- 13. July 30, Los Angeles Times (Texas) Southwest Airlines fined \$200,000 for fare advertising violations. The U.S. Department of Transportation fined Southwest Airlines \$200,000 for violating its full-fare advertising rules for promoting deals without offering the prices on a "reasonable" number of seats. The agency said the airline violated its full-fare advertising rule and engaged in unfair and deceptive practices.

Source: http://www.latimes.com/business/money/la-fi-mo-southwest-airlines-fined-200000-20130730,0,7496084.story

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Food and Agriculture Sector

- 14. August 1, Food Safety News (National) Cyclospora: 378 sickened from salad mix, no source named. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at least 378 people in 16 States were sickened in a noted uptick in cyclospora infections between early June and early July. Cyclospora has sickened at least 221 people in Iowa and Nebraska, where the illnesses were found to be part of the same outbreak linked to nationally-distributed bagged salad mix. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/cyclospora-378-sickened-from-salad-
- <u>mix-no-source-named/</u>
 15. July 31, Food Safety News (Kansas) Kansas firm recalls Ground Beef for E. coli risk. Approximately 50,100 pounds of ground beef were recalled by the National Beef

Packing Company, a Kansas-based firm, because the products may be contaminated with E. coli.

Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/07/kansas-ground-beef-recalled-for-ecoli-risk/

- 16. July 31, Associated Press (California) California quarantines area in citrus belt. The California Department of Food and Agriculture announced that 178 square miles in Tulare County have been quarantined following the detection of six Asian citrus psyllids around Porterville. Source: <u>http://www.kentucky.com/2013/07/31/2742882/california-quarantines-area-</u>
- 17. July 31, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (National) Whole Foods Market recalls Trois Comtois Morbier cheese because of possible health risk. Trois Comtois Morbier cheese was recalled by Whole Foods Market in the Mid Atlantic, Southwest, Northern California, Southern Pacific, and Midwest regions because the product has the potential to be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes. Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm363301.htm
- 18. July 31, WDEF 12 Chattanooga (National) 2,486 pounds of frozen chicken meals recalled due to product mislabeling. Approximately 2,486 pounds of frozen chicken meals was recalled by Traditions, a Mississippi firm, because of misbranding and an undeclared allergen. Source: <u>http://www.wdef.com/news/story/2-486-Pounds-of-Frozen-Chicken-Meals-Recalled-Due/U6cZVxmRdkmaB6GUC8GbUg.cspx</u>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

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19. *July 31, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Michigan) **EPA to clean up final section of Portage Creek in Kalamazoo.** The Kalamazoo River Valley Trail underpass and pedestrian bridge will be closed from August through October as well as parts of Veteran's Park, while the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency begins its final stage of cleanup work the week of July 26 on Portage Creek to remove approximately 4,000 cubic yards of contaminated sediment. Source:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/908855EB9B9D000885257BB9005B90B8

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. July 31, Associated Press – (International) 62 million diabetes test strips recalled. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration warned diabetes patients about the recall of 62 million strips used to test blood sugar levels and made by Nova Diabetes Care, after the strips were contaminated with a chemical used in the manufacturing process, which interferes with readings. Source: <u>http://news.msn.com/us/62-million-diabetes-test-strips-recalled</u>

21. July 31, KFSM 5 Fort Smith/KXNW 34 Eureka Springs – (Arkansas) Flooding evacuates Johnson nursing home, nearby residences. Flash flooding caused the evacuation of residents at Blossom Hill Assisted Care Living Center as well as several residences in Johnson, Arkansas, July 31. Roads were also closed around the area due to flooding.

Source: http://5newsonline.com/2013/07/31/flooding-evacuates-johnson-nursing-home/

22. July 31, Denver Post – (Colorado) Former Rocky Mountain Spine Clinic employee stole patient information. Rocky Mountain Spine Clinic in Lone Tree, Colorado, notified 532 patients after a former employee created a document containing their personal information and sent it to her personal email account. The former employee was immediately fired and told police she did not share the information and immediately deleted the document after sending it. Source: http://www.denverpost.com/breakingnews/ci_23769928/former-rocky-mountain-spine-clinic-employee-stole-patient

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Government Facilities Sector

23. August 1, Yakima Herald-Republic – (Washington) Colockum Tarps Fire at 70,000 acres, some evacuees return. Firefighters reached 25 percent containment of Washington's Colockum Tarps Fire July 31 after burning through 70,000 acres. Some Kittitas County residents were allowed to return home after being evacuated, but several parks and canyons remained closed. Source: <u>http://www.yakimaherald.com/news/fires/allfires/1370837-8/some-residents-</u>

allowed-back-home-during-colockum-tarps

- 24. August 1, Eureka Times-Standard (California) Crews snuffing out Orleans Dance Fire. Firefighters reached 90 percent containment of the Dance Fire that burned 646 acres in California's Six Rivers National Forest July 31. Evacuation orders were lifted and no structures remained threatened. Source: <u>http://www.times-standard.com/localnews/ci_23773980/crews-snuffing-outorleans-dance-fire?source=rss</u>
- 25. July 31, WIS 10 Columbia (South Carolina) Heavy rains damage efforts to renovate Newberry County Courthouse. Lasting, heaving rains have caused water damage, constant leaks, and possible mold to render parts of the Newberry County Courthouse in South Carolina unusable. Contractors are working to repair the damages but employees are concerned about the unsafe working conditions. Source: <u>http://www.foxcarolina.com/story/22985076/heavy-rains-damage-efforts-to-renovate-newberry-county-courthouse</u>
- 26. July 31, Oakland Patch (New Jersey) 'Dangerous' forest insects cause damage to

125 acres in Oakland. The New Jersey Department of Agriculture reported the gypsy moth has caused deforestation to 125 acres of Oakland's wooded areas, and is responsible for damage to nearly 3,000 acres of woodlands Statewide, in the first case of deforestation in 6 years.

Source: http://oakland.patch.com/groups/politics-and-elections/p/dangerous-forestinsects-cause-damage-to-125-acres-in-oakland

27. *July 31, Vancouver Columbian* – (Oregon) **Coast Guard responds to alleged fake distress calls on Columbia River.** The U.S. Coast Guard is offering a reward to the public for information that leads to the arrest of anyone responsible for making fake distress calls after they responded to 6 apparent fake calls near Portland during the summer of 2013. The agency said the hoax calls drained resources and put personnel at risk.

Source: http://www.columbian.com/news/2013/jul/31/coast-guard-fake-distress-callscolumbia-river/

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Emergency Services Sector

28. July 31, Associated Press – (Massachusetts) Inmate shoots deputy at Boston hospital after fight for gun; 2nd deputy then shoots inmate. A deputy sheriff shot an inmate in the emergency room of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary July 31 after the inmate grabbed an officer's gun after his handcuffs were removed and shot the officer in the leg. The second officer immediately fired his weapon striking the inmate, and causing the 6-hour closure of the emergency room while authorities investigated. Source:

http://www.greenfieldreporter.com/view/story/d12d1dfde62a442ea5bff3d53e870fa3/U S--Hospital-Shooting

- 29. July 31, CNN (Arkansas) Arkansas inmate's bold escape caught in jailhouse security video. Authorities are searching for an inmate that escaped from a jail in Garland County, Arkansas, with the help of two accomplices. Source: <u>http://www.cnn.com/2013/07/31/us/arkansas-inmateescape/index.html?hpt=us_c2</u>
- 30. July 31, Marlin Democrat (Texas) Phone outage complicates police 911 work. Emergency calls in Marlin County were rerouted to Limestone County July 31 when the county and surrounding areas had a 4 hour disruption of Internet, landline telephone, and select cell phone service. Source: <u>http://www.marlindemocrat.com/news/article_0947ecfc-fa23-11e2-9f24-001a4bcf887a.html</u>

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Information Technology Sector

31. August 1, The Register – (International) Gmail, Outlook.com, and e-voting 'pwned' on stage in crypto-dodge attack. Researchers demonstrated a man-in-the-middle attack at the Black Hat 2013 conference which can allow unauthorized access to email by preventing logout requests. The attack could also be used against certain electronic voting systems.
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Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/08/01/gmail_hotmail_hijacking/

- 32. August 1, V3.co.uk (International) Google Code developer site targeted by hackers. A researcher at Zscaler identified a scheme where hackers targeted the Google Code developer site in order to host malware, part of a reported trend in attacks. Source: <u>http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2286303/google-code-developer-sitetargeted-by-hackers</u>
- 33. August 1, Help Net Security (International) Malware attacks via malicious iPhone chargers. Researchers at the Black Hat 2013 conference built an iPhone charger that can infect devices connected to it and demonstrated how their attack bypassed Apple security features.

Source: https://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2548

- 34. August 1, V3.co.uk (International) Crooks using Android master key to sneak trojans onto smartphones and tablet devices. Researchers at Dr. Web identified a trojan exploiting the Android 'master key' vulnerability to infect devices. A similar campaign was identified in July. Source: <u>http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2286263/crooks-using-android-master-keyto-sneak-trojans-onto-smartphones-and-tablets-devices</u>
- 35. August 1, IDG News Service (International) Researchers bypass home and office security systems. Researchers at Bishop Fox demonstrated at the Black Hat 2013 conference several methods to defeat and bypass common building security devices such as door and window sensors, keypad alarms, and thermal sensors. Source:

https://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9241278/Researchers_bypass_home_and_off_ice_security_systems

36. July 31, The Register – (International) Malicious JavaScript flips ad network into rentable botnet. A presentation by researchers from WhiteHat Security at the Black Hat 2013 conference demonstrated a technique to use iframes in Web advertisements to call a JavaScript file that increases requests to a Web site to perform distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks without being easily traced. Source:

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/07/31/whitehat_security_ad_networks_botnet/

37. *July 31, Sophos* – (International) **ZeroAccess malware revisited** – **new version yet more devious.** Researchers at SophosLabs found and analyzed an update to the ZeroAccess malware that adds new techniques to ensure its persistence on infected systems.

Source: <u>http://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2013/07/31/zeroaccess-malware-revisited-new-version-yet-more-devious/</u>

38. July 31, IDG News Service – (International) Vulnerabilities in D-Link network video recorders enable remote spying, researcher says. Researchers at Qualys found remotely exploitable vulnerabilities in two models of D-Link network video controllers that can enable access to surveillance camera feeds and other data. It was unclear whether a firmware update issued in July closed the vulnerabilities-in-dlink-network-video-recorders-enable-remote-spying-researcher-says.html

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: <u>https://www.it-isac.org</u>

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Communications Sector

- 39. July 31, Quay County Sun– (New Mexico) Wireless service restored in Quay County. Verizon Wireless reported a hardware issue was the cause of a 12 hour telephone service outage July 25 in Quay County, New Mexico. Source: <u>http://www.qcsunonline.com/2013/07/31/wireless-service-outage-affects-quaycounty-i-40/</u>
- 40. *July 31, KOLD 13 Tucson* (Arizona) **Service restored to Comcast customers.** A cut in a line in New Mexico is the cause of a July 31 four hour service outage for Comcast customers. The exact location and nature of the cut is being investigated. Source: <u>http://www.tucsonnewsnow.com/story/22979965/service-restored-to-comcast-customers</u>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

- 41. August 1, Honolulu Star Advertiser– (Hawaii) Shark attack off south Maui injures woman, closes beach. Ulua Beach was closed for at least 24 hours July 31 after a woman was attacked by a shark at the south Maui beach. Source: http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/20130731 Shark attack off south Mau i injures woman closes beach.html
- 42. August 1, WBBM-TV 2 Chicago (Illinois) Building owners hire engineers to

investigate water tank collapse. The owners of a Chicago apartment building hired an engineering firm to investigate the cause of an accident after a wooden water tank broke from its position and fell July 31, injuring three people. Source: <u>http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2013/08/01/building-where-water-tank-collapsed-hires-engineers-to-investigate/</u>

43. July 31, Oregonian– (Oregon) Gas line break forces apartment evacuation west of Happy Valley. Clackamas Fire District officials reported a construction crew accidentally cut a 1-inch gas line July 31, prompting the evacuation of the Easton Ridge Apartments in Happy Valley. Northwest Natural Gas and Portland General Electric sent crews to the scene but a time when the three apartments' residents could return was not known.

Source: http://www.oregonlive.com/happyvalley/index.ssf/2013/07/gas_line_break_forces_apartmen.html

- 44. July 31, WPLG 10 Miami– (Florida) Officials investigate suspicious fire in Miami Beach. Miami Beach Fire Rescue officials are investigating whether a July 31 fire at Mantell Plaza, which displaced 100 people, was intentionally set. Source: <u>http://www.local10.com/news/suspicious-fire-evacuation-in-miami-beach/-/1717324/21271760/-/15bqsnx/-/index.html</u>
- 45. July 31, KOAA 5 Colorado Springs– (Colorado) Hazmat scare at Colorado Springs apartments cleared. Twelve families were evacuated for several hours July 31 as the Colorado Springs Fire Department investigated a vacant apartment with suspicious chemicals which caused a hazmat scare at the Palo Verde Apartments. Source: <u>http://www.koaa.com/news/hazmat-scare-at-colorado-springs-apartmentcleared/</u>

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