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- A man was arrested August 15 on charges that he allegedly ran a credit card and check fraud scheme between 2004 and May 2013 that defrauded banks of more than \$1 million by setting up fraudulent accounts in New York and sending over \$135 million in counterfeit overpayments. – *Pocono Record* (See item [4](#))
- According to recent data, at least 591 people in 19 States have fallen ill with Cyclospora infections since June. – *Food Safety News* (See item [15](#))
- The Essex Junction Wastewater Treatment Plant reported plans to better protect controls after they indicated a worker accidentally bumped into machine controls which caused a 500,000 gallon partially treated sewage spill in the Winooski River August 2 and 3. – *Associated Press* (See item [19](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *August 15, PR Newswire*– (Maryland) **Verizon offers up to \$10,000 for information on thefts at company work centers in Maryland.** Verizon offered up to \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of individuals responsible for more than \$300,000 in stolen equipment, tools, and copper wire stolen between May and August at various Maryland work centers, garages, and offices.
Source: <http://www.heraldonline.com/2013/08/15/5119041/verizon-offers-up-to-10000-for.html>
2. *August 15, KARK 4 Little Rock*– (Arkansas) **Entergy working to restore to thousands.** Entergy crews worked the evening of August 15 to restore power to the remaining 2,000 Little Rock customers without power after 11,000 service after a tree fell on a power line near the Rebsamen Park Golf Course and caused a chain reaction of outages.
Source: <http://m.fox16.com/display/574/story/4f8d5aad3d0c8a21b1fa859c1811bed1>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

3. *August 16, Softpedia* – (National) **Northrop Grumman hacked, linguists program database compromised.** A Northrop Grumman company database containing the personal information of individuals who have applied to or were retained as linguists for the company's Balkans Linguist Support Program was accessed by hackers. The

affected database, which has been taken offline, contained names, dates of birth, blood types, Social Security numbers, contact information, and other government-issued identification numbers.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Northrop-Grumman-Hacked-Linguists-Program-Database-Compromised-376000.shtml>

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Financial Services Sector

4. *August 16, Pocono Record* – (New York; Pennsylvania) **Matamoras man charged with 9-year-long \$1 million credit card scam.** A Matamoras, Pennsylvania man was arrested August 15 on charges that he allegedly ran credit card and check fraud scheme between 2004 and May 2013 that defrauded banks of more than \$1 million by setting up fraudulent accounts in New York and sending over \$135 million in counterfeit overpayments.

Source:

<http://www.poconorecord.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130816/NEWS/308160328>

5. *August 15, WPEC 12 West Palm Beach* – (Florida) **Thieves use new method in ATM skimming.** Police in the Port St. Lucie area reported that two thieves were seen on video attaching skimming devices to ATMs at Publix grocery stores. The thieves target machines with external card slots, drill holes in the bottom of the reader to avoid detection, and then place skimmers into the drilled hole before sealing it.

Source: http://cbs12.com/news/top-stories/stories/vid_9496.shtml

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *August 16, Columbus Dispatch* – (Ohio) **Ramp reopens after early morning crash.** A single-vehicle accident shut down the ramp from Interstate 670 eastbound to Interstate 71 northbound in Columbus for over 2 hours August 16.

Source: <http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/public/2013/08/16/crash-closes-i-71-ramp-to-i-670.html>

7. *August 16, WBAL 1090 AM Baltimore* – (Maryland) **Fatal accident in Harford County shuts down Interstate.** A fatal accident closed Interstate 95 in Harford County for 6 hours August 16.

Source: <http://www.wbal.com/article/102096/2/template-story/Fatal-Accident-In-Harford-County-Shuts-Down-Interstate>

8. *August 15, WLNS 6 Lansing* – (Michigan) **One person in hospital following Willow Highway accident.** A single-vehicle accident closed Willow Highway in Eaton County for 4 hours August 15 while authorities investigated the area.

Source: <http://www.wlms.com/story/23143717/willow-highway-near-kingsgate-closed-following-early-morning-accident>

9. *August 15, WAVE 3 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **Coal train derails in Hardin Co.; cleanup expected to last through Friday.** A train derailment involving 15 coal cars occurred in Hardin County near the border of Radcliff and Vine Grove August 15. Crews did not expect to have the scene cleared until August 16.
Source: <http://www.wave3.com/story/23144786/coal-train-derails-in-hardin-co-cleanup-expected-to-last-through-friday>
10. *August 15, Las Vegas Sun* – (Nevada) **Six-vehicle accident closes intersection of Desert Inn, Sandhill.** The intersection of Desert Inn and Sandhill roads in Las Vegas was closed for 7 hours August 15 following a six-vehicle accident.
Source: <http://www.lasvegassun.com/news/2013/aug/15/six-vehicle-accident-closes-intersection-desert-in/>
11. *August 15, KREX 5 Grand Junction* – (Colorado) **Basalt man dies in Highway 133 rollover.** A portion of Highway 133 in Pitkin County was shut down for several hours August 15 due to a fatal rollover accident.
Source: <http://www.krextv.com/news/around-the-region/Basalt-Man-Dies-in-Highway-133-Rollover-219880721.html>
12. *August 15, Belleville News-Democrat* – (Illinois) **Truck crash in Madison County closes I-55 for hours.** An accident involving two semi-tractor trailers closed the southbound lanes of Interstate 55 in Madison County for several hours August 15.
Source: <http://www.bnd.com/2013/08/15/2746321/truck-crash-closes-i-55-in-madison.html>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *August 16, Associated Press; Stamford Advocate* – (Connecticut) **More sickened in Conn. by tainted shellfish.** Approximately 32 instances of people sickened by tainted shellfish were reported by officials from the Connecticut Department of Agriculture. Shellfish from Westport and Norwalk were recalled the week of August 4 and State officials ordered most shellfish harvest locations closed after five people were reported sick from naturally-occurring bacteria.
Source: <http://www.wtnh.com/news/fairfield-cty/more-sickened-in-conn-by-tainted-shellfish>
14. *August 15, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (California) **Whole Foods Market recalls Sour Cherry and Blueberry Crostatas due to undeclared allergen.** Whole Foods Market's recalled its sour cherry and blueberry crostatas in the northern California region due to use of an egg wash that was undeclared on the product label.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm365310.htm>

15. *August 15, Food Safety News* – (National) **Cyclospora infections top 591.** According to data collected from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and calls made to individual State health departments, at least 591 people in 19 States have fallen ill with Cyclospora infections since June.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/cyclospora-infections-top-589/>
16. *August 15, Food Safety News* – (National) **Iams and Eukanuba pet food recalled for Salmonella risk.** Specific lots of Iams and Eukanuba dry dog and cat food were voluntarily recalled by The Procter & Gamble Company because they have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/iams-and-eukanuba-pet-food-recalled-for-salmonella-risk/>
17. *August 15, Food Safety News* – (International) **FSIS: Some recalled Chilean chicken got through to U.S. retailers.** According to the Food Safety and Inspection Service, the total amount of Chilean chicken involved in a recall for dioxin contamination reached 347,637 pounds, up from almost 200,000 pounds reported on July 31.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/some-recalled-chilean-chicken-got-through-to-u-s-retailers/>
18. *August 15, Food Safety News* – (National) **Stop & Shop outlets remove Charles Arnaud Morbier cheese after voluntary recall.** All Charles Arnaud Morbier semi-soft cheese were removed from sale by Stop & Shop Supermarket Co. outlets after a voluntary recall by Trois Comtois of France due to possible contamination by Listeria monocytogenes.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/stop-shop-outlets-removes-morbier-cheese-after-voluntary-recall/>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *August 15, Associated Press* – (Vermont) **Wastewater plant spills 500K gallon into river.** The Essex Junction Wastewater Treatment Plant reported plans to better protect controls August 15 after they reported that a worker accidentally bumped into machine controls which caused a 500,000 gallon partially treated sewage spill in Vermont's Winooski River August 2 and 3.
Source: http://www.stowetoday.com/stowe_reporter/news/article_a6503352-05cb-11e3-9924-001a4bcf887a.html
20. *August 15, Associated Press; Hawaii Tribune-Herald* – (Hawaii) **Wastewater spills at Hawaii County treatment plant.** A malfunctioning pump at the Papaikou Wastewater Treatment Plant August 13 led to a wastewater discharge of 7,600 gallons into the ocean, prompting a 24-hour closure of the shoreline nearby. The shoreline was reopened August 14.
Source: <http://www.islandpacket.com/2013/08/15/2631285/wastewater-spills-at->

[hawaii-county.html](#)

21. *August 15, Gaston Gazette*– (North Carolina) **Rain blamed for 86,000 gallon sewage spill.** A wastewater treatment plant which services the cities of Gastonia and Cramerton remained under repair following heavy rainfall July 28 which flooded the pump station and caused an 86,000 gallon sewage spill into the South Fork River. The pump station's motor, generator, electrical service, and controls were also damaged.
Source: <http://www.gastongazette.com/news/local/rain-blamed-for-86-000-gallon-sewage-spill-1.187191>
22. *August 13, WLTX 19 Columbia*– (South Carolina) **EPA fines Columbia for water violations.** The Environmental Protection Agency ordered the City of Columbia to pay \$1.5 million in fines and cleanup costs for sewage spills and must spend \$1 million of the fines toward addressing flooding and cleaning parts of three streams which flow into Columbia area rivers. The fines follow criticism of the city's use of water and sewer funding toward unrelated projects.
Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/245955/2/EPA-Fines-Columbia-for-Water-Violations->

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *August 16, Associated Press* – (Michigan) **Ferris State U. reports data security breach.** Ferris State University in Big Rapids reported that it learned July 23 that an unauthorized person evaded network security and gained access to a computer that stored about 39,000 individuals' names and Social Security numbers.
Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2013/aug/16/ferris-state-u-reports-data-security-breach/>
24. *August 16, KYTV 3 Springfield* – (Missouri) **Man from Dixon is charged with making bomb threat that closed Pulaski County Courthouse.** Police arrested and charged a man August 15 after he called in a bomb threat to the Pulaski County Courthouse August 13 that claimed a there was a bomb in a specific judge's courtroom.
Source: <http://www.ky3.com/news/ky3-dixon-man-arrested-on-suspicion-of-bomb-threats-that-closed-pulaski-county-courthouse-20130816,0,338413.story>
25. *August 15, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Copper theft severs state websites.** At least eight State of California departments lost access to their Web sites and email August 14 after thieves stole part of a fiber and copper line that runs between Vacaville and Napa.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/political/la-me-pc-copper-theft-california-websites-20130815,0,5792405.story>

26. *August 15, WMAQ 5 Chicago* – (Illinois) **6 injured in school bus crash on South Side.** At least six people were taken to hospitals after a school bus struck a vehicle in Chicago's South Side area August 15.

Source: <http://www.nbcchicago.com/traffic/transit/School-Bus-Strikes-Vehicle-on-South-Side-219756571.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

27. *August 15, KDVR 31 Denver* – (Colorado) **Guns and armor stolen from two unmarked police cars in Aurora.** Two rifles, a pistol, and a ballistic vest were stolen August 14 from a pair of unmarked Adams County Sheriff's Office vehicles parked in southeast Aurora. The Aurora Police Department is investigating.

Source: <http://kdvr.com/2013/08/15/guns-and-armor-stolen-from-two-unmarked-police-cars-in-aurora/>

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Information Technology Sector

28. *August 16, Softpedia* – (International) **Outbrain hacked by Syrian Electronic Army, CNN, Time, and Washington Post impacted.** Members of the Syrian Electronic Army (SEA) hacktivist group used phishing emails to compromise the systems of content recommendation service Outbrain, which enabled the group to redirect some visitors of the Washington Post, Time, and CNN to the official SEA Web site August 15.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Outbrain-Hacked-by-Syrian-Electronic-Army-CNN-Time-and-Washington-Post-Impacted-375936.shtml>

29. *August 16, IDG News Service* – (International) **Facebook disables some legitimate apps while targeting malicious ones.** Facebook stated August 15 that the tools it uses to disable malicious apps inadvertently disabled some legitimate apps' developer accounts for a time starting August 13.

Source: <https://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/081613-facebook-disables-some-legitimate-apps-272917.html>

30. *August 15, The Register* – (International) **GitHub code repository rocked by 'very large DDoS' attack.** GitHub was targeted by a large distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack August 15 and suffered outages as a result.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/08/15/github_ddos/

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *August 16, Miami Herald* – (Florida) **Police still investigating shooting outside Miami Garden McDonald's; two injured.** A Miami Gardens McDonald's remains under investigation and was cordoned off from the public after an early morning shooting at the restaurant's drive thru left two men critically injured August 16.
Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2013/08/16/3566728/police-still-investigating-shooting.html>
32. *August 16, KOMO 4 Seattle* – (Washington) **Crews douse 2-alarm apartment fire started by candle.** Twelve units at a Kenmore apartment complex were evacuated after a candle fire erupted August 16.
Source: <http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Crews-douse-2-alarm-apartment-fire-started-by-candle-219925111.html>
33. *August 16, Brooklyn Daily* – (New York) **Boy slipped out from under safety bar, fell out, was run over.** The Sea Serpent Ride at the Wonder Wheel Park remained closed as inspectors checked the ride after a 5-year old, eligible for the ride, wriggled out from under the restraining bar, fell, and was seriously injured when he became stuck under one of the cars August 14. The ride has been in operation for 15 years with no previously reported problems.
Source: http://www.brooklyndaily.com/stories/2013/34/bn_coneyaccident_2013_08_23_bk.html
34. *August 16, KING 5 Seattle* – (Washington) **Mount Vernon apartment explosion injures three.** Authorities accessed the damage to a Mount Vernon, Washington apartment building after an August 15 explosion sent three people to the hospital. The three people inside the apartment were reportedly trying to make hash oil when butane gas sparked an explosion and prompted the building's evacuation.
Source: <http://www.krem.com/news/northwest-news/219908081.html>

35. *August 15, LAFD News and Information*– (California) **West Adams apartment fire injures two and displaces 14.** A fire at a West Adams district apartment building August 14 left \$125,000 in damages and displaced 14 people.
Source: <http://lafd.blogspot.com/2013/08/west-adams-apartment-fire-injures-two.html>
36. *August 15, Bangor Daily News*– (Maine) **Wes Adams Apartment fire injures two and displaces 14.** A Portland, Maine apartment building fire August 15 resulted in 14 people being left homeless and an estimated \$225,000 in damages.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2013/08/15/news/portland/portland-apartment-building-fire-leaves-41-homeless/>

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Dams Sector

37. *August 15, South Florida Sun Sentinel*– (Florida) **Lake Okeechobee dike leaks emerge as inflows lessen.** The Army Corps of Engineers reported August 15, that recent inspections revealed increasing leaks in two spots on the 70-year old dike at Lake Okeechobee and raised concerns that the earthen dike could be eroding and the threat of flooding or a breach could happen as heavy rainfall is expected the weekend of August 17.
Source: http://articles.sun-sentinel.com/2013-08-15/news/fl-lake-okeechobee-leaks-20130814_1_herbert-hoover-dike-lake-water-port-mayaca

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