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- Hennepin County Health officials reported that at least 81 people fell ill from suspected Salmonella poisoning after eating guinea pig meat and other foods from a vendor at a Minneapolis street festival in early August. – *Minneapolis Star Tribune* (See item [13](#))
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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

1. *August 21, Associated Press* – (National) **Kia recalls some Sorento SUVs; front axle can fail.** Kia issued a recall of more than 9,700 model year 2014 Sorento vehicles due to an issue that could cause the right axle drive shaft to crack and fail. The issue could cause the loss of power or present a rollaway hazard when parked.

Source:

<http://www.freep.com/article/20130821/BUSINESS01/308210088/1210/business01>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

2. *August 22, Cape Girardeau Southeast Missourian* – (Missouri) **Virginia woman found guilty in credit card counterfeiting.** A woman from Alexandria, Virginia, was found guilty in Cape Girardeau for her role in a skimming and counterfeit payment card operation after she was found with 112 counterfeit cards and 15 or more counterfeit access devices.

Source: <http://www.semissourian.com/story/1996093.html>

3. *August 21, CNET News* – (International) **Cybercrooks use DDoS attacks to mask theft of banks' millions.** A researcher at Gartner reported that three unidentified banks

were the victims of fraudulent wire transfers that used low-level distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks to distract attention from the thefts.

Source: http://news.cnet.com/8301-1009_3-57599646-83/cybercrooks-use-ddos-attacks-to-mask-theft-of-banks-millions/?part=rss&subj=news&tag=2547-1_3-0-20

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Transportation Systems Sector

4. *August 22, WXIA 11 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Patrol car hit while officer investigates incident on I-75/85.** Interstate 75/85 southbound in Atlanta was closed for 3 hours August 21 after a police car was struck by a vehicle as an officer was responding to another accident.
Source: <http://www.11alive.com/news/article/303592/40/Patrol-car-hit-while-officer-investigates-accident-on-I-7585>
5. *August 22, PhillyBurbs.com* – (Pennsylvania) **Bensalem man killed after motorcycle rear-ended on I-95.** A fatal accident involving a motorcycle closed a portion of Interstate 95 in Bristol Township for several hours August 21.
Source: http://www.phillyburbs.com/00redesign/news/local/breaking-news/bensalem-man-killed-after-motorcycle-rear-ended-on-i/article_4e4cf367-d802-5034-bda7-6bb2f8f8af0f.html
6. *August 21, Bethel Patch* – (Connecticut) **Fatal accident temporarily shuts down I-84 Wednesday.** A fatal accident involving a tractor-trailer and a pedestrian shut down Interstate 84 westbound in Danbury for nearly 3 hours August 21.
Source: <http://bethel.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/fatal-accident-snarls-traffic-on-i84>
7. *August 21, WSCH 99.3FM Aurora* – (Ohio) **Lighting played part in I-275 crash.** Two accidents, one of which involved a police car and a semi-truck, closed Interstate 275 eastbound in Hamilton County for nearly 2 hours August 21.
Source: <http://www.eaglecountryonline.com/news.php?nID=6171>
8. *August 21, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Frozen fish spill onto highway after truck crash in Auburn; no injuries reported.** A truck carrying about 39,000 pounds of frozen fish crashed and closed multiple lanes of Interstate 290 in Auburn for at least 5 hours August 21 while crews removed the fish from the trailer and worked to contain 25 gallons of diesel fuel that spilled during the crash.
Source: <http://www.boston.com/metrodesk/2013/08/21/frozen-fish-spill-onto-highway-after-truck-crash-auburn-injuries-reported/MHTsJfLEbTlFQG4OhjJLaJ/story.html>
9. *August 21, Colorado Springs Gazette* – (Colorado) **Reckless driving reported before fatal morning crash on I-25 between Colorado Springs, Pueblo.** A fatal one-vehicle crash closed the northbound left lane of Interstate 25 between Colorado Springs and Pueblo for more than 2 hours August 21.

Source: <http://gazette.com/fatal-crash-shuts-lanes-on-interstate-25-between-colorado-springs-pueblo/article/1505105>

10. *August 21, Columbus Dispatch* – (Ohio) **I-71 on city's North Side reopens after body found this morning.** A fatal accident closed all northbound lanes of Interstate 71 in Columbus for 7 hours August 21.

Source: <http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/public/2013/08/21/body-shuts-down-i-71-on-north-side.html>

11. *August 21, WPTV 5 West Palm Beach* – (Florida) **Four injured, two seriously, in Cove Road head-on crash.** A head-on crash closed Cove Road from Willoughby Boulevard to Avalon Drive in Stuart for several hours August 21. Authorities have begun an investigation of the incident.

Source: http://www.wptv.com/dpp/news/region_martin_county/stuart/stuart-four-injured-two-seriously-in-cove-road-head-on-crash-in-stuart

12. *August 20, Associated Press* – (Alaska) **Alaska cruise cancelled after ship stranded due to mechanical issues.** Celebrity Cruises, owned by Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd., cancelled the remainder of a seven-night cruise to Alaska after mechanical issues forced a ship, the Millennium, carrying more than 3,100 passengers and crew members to return to port in Ketchikan.

Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2013/08/20/alaska-cruise-cancelled-after-ship-stranded-due-to-mechanical-issues/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *August 21, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Tainted guinea pig meat at Minneapolis festival sent 81 to hospitals.** Hennepin County Health officials report that at least 81 people fell ill from suspected salmonella poisoning after eating guinea pig meat and other foods from a vendor at a Minneapolis street festival in early August. The vendor had a city permit, but sold unapproved food and handled it improperly.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/local/minneapolis/220600281.html>

14. *August 21, Food Safety News* – (National) **Undeclared allergens top reason for second-quarter recalls.** According to a report from Stericycle ExpertRECALL, a company that manages recalls for companies, during the second quarter of 2013 65 percent of the recalls falling under U.S. Department of Agriculture jurisdiction and 60 percent of those falling under U.S. Food and Drug Administration jurisdiction were due to undeclared allergens.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/08/undeclared-allergens-top-reason-for-second-quarter-recalls/>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

15. *August 22, Westfield Republica/Mayville Sentinel News* – (New York) **Mayville to sell 200,000 gallon water storage tank.** The mayor of Mayville announced August 20 a plan to improve water chlorination which includes the emptying, cleaning, and sale of a 75-year-old 200,000 gallon potable water tank for scrap. Sale of the tank will save the city money on the cost of chlorination.
Source: <http://www.westfieldrepublican.com/page/content.detail/id/521386/Mayville-to-sell-200-000-gallon-water-storage-tank.html?nav=5004>
16. *August 22, WCTV 6 Thomasville; Tallahassee Fire Department* – (Florida) **Chlorine leak at Madison Plant, two rushed to hospital.** Two employees at the City of Madison Waste Water Treatment Facility were transported to area hospitals August 21 following a chlorine leak at the plant. Thirteen businesses were evacuated, local residents received evacuation warnings, and the Madison Correctional Institution was placed on lock down while a HAZMAT team assisted the treatment facility in securing the one-ton chlorine cylinder.
Source: <http://www.wctv.tv/home/headlines/220562351.html>
17. *August 21, Albany Democrat-Herald* – (Oregon) **Wastewater discharge at Lebanon treatment plant.** Lebanon, Oregon residents were issued a 48-hour notice after solids were released August 16 from the Lebanon wastewater treatment plant into the South Santiam River. The spill occurred when an incorrect valve opened while installing specialized equipment at the plant.
Source: http://democratherald.com/news/local/wastewater-discharge-at-lebanon-treatment-plant/article_545a4bfe-0aa9-11e3-b164-001a4bcf887a.html
18. *August 21, Biloxi Sun Herald* – (Mississippi) **Bayou Casotte fish kill followed discharge of acidic liquid from plant.** Heavy rainfall the weekend of August 17 prompted Mississippi Phosphates to discharge process liquid into Bayou Casotte to alleviate pressure on the west levee and reduce the risk of uncontrolled water releases which lead to low pH levels potentially killing several fish. The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality is monitoring the situation and plans to report the pH levels following testing and clean up.
Source: <http://www.sunherald.com/2013/08/21/4892024/bayou-casotte-fish-kill-followed.html>
19. *August 21, Lake County News-Sun* – (Illinois) **Deerfield water contamination known two days before boil order.** The Village of Deerfield launched a full investigation into why test results which confirmed contamination of the village's water were available but not delivered for two days, delaying the August 12 boil order for its residents.
Source: <http://newssun.suntimes.com/news/22051119-418/deerfield-water-contamination-known-two-days-before-boil-order.html>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. *August 21, Associated Press; Reno Gazette-Journal* – (Nevada) **2nd Nevada psych hospital under investigation.** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services served a notice to Dini-Townsend Inpatient Facility in Sparks, Nevada, August 12 for various deficiencies and alleged violations of patient treatment and discharge standards. A May 16 survey uncovered the hospital's lack of compliance with the Emergency Medical Treatment & Labor Act among other violations.
Source: <http://www.ctpost.com/news/article/2nd-Nevada-psych-hospital-cited-for-violations-4750495.php>

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Government Facilities Sector

21. *August 22, Modesto Bee* – (California) **Rim Fire rages out of control, spreads to 53,000 acres.** Containment of the Rim Fire was reduced to 2 percent from 5 percent August 21 as the fire grew and burned 53,866 acres near Cherry Creek and the Tuolumne River Canyon prompting authorities to broaden their evacuation area.
Source: <http://www.modbee.com/2013/08/21/2877012/rim-fire-tuolumne-county-asks.html>
22. *August 22, KGW 8 Portland* – (Oregon) **Government Flat fire near The Dalles 'getting ugly again.'** Crews reached 15 percent containment of Oregon's Government Flat Fire after burning 8,000 acres by August 21. Four homes were destroyed by the fire after the blaze jumped some containment lines.
Source: <http://www.kgw.com/news/Crews-set-out-for-day-5-of-8000-acre-fire-near-The-Dalles-220518571.html>
23. *August 21, Akron Beacon Journal* – (Ohio) **Blown transformer closes GlenOak High School.** GlenOak High School in Plain Township, Ohio, was evacuated and dismissed August 21 after a transformer blew at the school.
Source: <http://www.ohio.com/news/blown-transformer-closes-glenoak-high-school-1.422571>
24. *August 21, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Gas leak leads to Elgin school evacuation.** Students and staff from Abbott Middle School in Elgin, Illinois, were evacuated to a nearby school August 21 after a construction crew hit a gas line outside the building and caused the leak. The gas line was turned off for repairs.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/suburbs/elgin/chi-gas-leak-leads-to-elgin-school-evacuation-20130821,0,4655827.story>
25. *August 21, NBC News* – (Kansas) **20 injured as bus carrying school kids overturns on Kansas highway ramp.** Twenty people were injured after a Pembroke Hill School bus lost control on a ramp to Kansas Highway 32 and went off the road in Bonner

Springs August 21. The remaining uninjured children were transported to a nearby school and the ramp was reopened several hours later.

Source: <http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2013/08/21/20122109-20-injured-as-bus-carrying-school-kids-overturms-on-kansas-highway-ramp?lite>

26. *August 21, Associated Press* – (California) **Crews make progress against Southern Sierra fire.** Firefighters reached 70 percent containment of the 454-acre fire burning near Alta Sierra, California, and reached 72 percent containment of a nearby 441-acre fire August 21.

Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/california/ci_23915290/crews-make-progress-against-southern-sierra-fire

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Emergency Services Sector

27. *August 21, WFAA 8 Dallas* – (Texas) **Dallas police chief fires 6 officers: ‘Some victims didn’t get justice.’** The Dallas police chief fired 6 officers August 21 after an internal investigation uncovered hundreds of domestic violence cases that were never investigated by two officers and several other illegal practices the detectives were separately involved in.

Source: <http://www.wfaa.com/news/local/dallas/Dallas-detectives-who-failed-to-investigate-domestic-abuse-cases-fired-220431701.html>

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Information Technology Sector

28. *August 22, Softpedia* – (International) **PayPal fixes vulnerability that allowed hackers to delete any account.** A researcher with Vulnerability Lab identified a vulnerability in PayPal that could allow a malicious user to delete another user's account by falsely registering and then removing the victim's email address. PayPal has now addressed the issue.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/PayPal-Fixes-Vulnerability-That-Allowed-Hackers-to-Delete-Any-Account-Video-377290.shtml>

29. *August 22, Softpedia* – (International) **SoundCloud users warned of spam, shady software, scams.** ThreatTrack Security researchers reported that spammers are using SoundCloud to spread links to spam and malicious Web sites via notes on files with the names of popular TV shows and movies.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/SoundCloud-Users-Warned-of-Spam-Shady-Software-Scams-377395.shtml>

30. *August 21, IDG News Service* – (International) **Tumblr flaw lets incorrect posts appear on user blogs.** Tumblr is working to resolve an issue where random unwanted posts are appearing on a small number of users' blogs.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9241785/Tumblr_flaw_lets_incorrect_posts_appear_on_user_blogs

31. *August 21, SC Magazine* – (International) **McAfee threat report highlights mobile attacks, ransomware, malicious sites.** McAfee's second quarter threat report highlighted the increasing prominence of aggressive attacks on the Android mobile operating system, as well as the growth of ransomware and infected Web sites distributing malware, among other findings.

Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/mcafee-threat-report-highlights-mobile-attacks-ransomware-malicious-sites/article/308309/>

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

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Communications Sector

32. *August 21, Orlando Sentinel* – (Florida) **Sanford cellphone tower to be removed; workers escape blaze.** Two workers were welding on a Sanford cellphone tower when a fire engulfed the structure August 21 which disrupted cellphone service, prompted the evacuation of local buildings and homes, and forced the closure of nearby roads for several hours. Fire officials reported the tower would be removed in sections beginning August 22.

Source: <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/local/breakingnews/os-cell-phone-tower-rescue-20130821,0,3085970.story>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

33. *August 22, WHDH 7 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **Fire leaves historic S. Boston church in ruins.** Seven firefighters were injured battling a fire at the Albanian Orthodox Church of St. John the Baptist in Boston August 21 that destroyed the church and prompted the evacuation of several businesses and apartments nearby. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.

Source: <http://www1.whdh.com/news/articles/local/boston/10011478907519/6-firefighters-injured-while-battling-church-fire-in-s-boston/>

34. *August 22, WSAZ 3 Huntington* – (Ohio) **Residents allowed back in apartment building after meth lab bust.** An apartment building in Meigs County, Ohio, was evacuated for several hours August 21 while police investigated and neutralized a meth lab in one of the apartments. Two individuals were arrested while the scene was cleared.
Source: <http://www.wsaz.com/news/headlines/BREAKING-NEWS-ALERT-Apartment-Building-Evacuated-after-Meth-Lab-Bust-220600731.html>
35. *August 21, KTVU 2 Oakland* – (California) **Bomb scare triggers Target store evacuation.** Police evacuated a Target store in Richmond, California, as well as nearby businesses for 2 hours August 21 after Target received a phoned bomb threat. Police searched the store and cleared the scene once nothing suspicious was found.
Source: <http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/crime-law/bomb-scare-triggers-target-store-evacuation/nZYTz/>
36. *August 21, WPTV 5 West Palm Beach* – (Florida) **Holiday Inn Express in Vero Beach evacuated due to suspicious device which turned out to be a hoax.** Indian River County Sheriff's Office detonated a hoax device found at a Holiday Inn Express in Vero Beach August 21 and reopened the hotel to guests after a several hour evacuation.
Source: http://www.wptv.com/dpp/news/region_indian_river_county/vero_beach/holiday-inn-express-in-vero-beach-evacuated-due-to-suspicious-device

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