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- Police in Los Angeles arrested a man after they uncovered what is believed to be a major credit card fraud operation after they raided a residence on an unrelated warrant and found around 6,000 credit cards and encoding machinery. – *Los Angeles Daily News* (See item [5](#))
- A man from Highland Beach, Florida and a man from West Orange, New Jersey were indicted September 5 for allegedly running a complex Ponzi scheme that defrauded equity investors and asset lenders in medical accounts receivable of more than \$275 million. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Maryland* (See item [8](#))
- The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation closed Darby Paoli Road between Newtown Road and Brook Road in Radnor indefinitely due to bridge damage. – *Radnor Patch* (See item [16](#))
- The U.S. Forest Service announced September 5 that California's Rim Fire was caused by an illegal fire set by a hunter. – *CBS News* (See item [33](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *September 5, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (International) **EPA fines Shell for Clean Air Act permit violations during offshore oil exploration in Alaska.** Shell Gulf of Mexico, Inc. and Shell Offshore, Inc. reached a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency September 5 for violations of their Clean Air Act permits for arctic oil and gas exploration drilling in the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas. Shell will pay a \$710,000 penalty for violations of the Discoverer air permit and a \$390,000 penalty for violations of the Kulluk air permit.
Source: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/095964532154B9A285257BDD00812EAF>
2. *September 5, YNN Rochester* – (New York) **Thousands of pounds of copper stolen.** The Wyoming County Sheriff's Office is searching for the thief responsible for stealing approximately 4,000 pounds of copper from the Wind Farm Power Station in Orangeville. The site was targeted at the end of June and again in August, leaving a total loss of roughly \$20,000.
Source: http://rochester.ynn.com/content/news/all_news/694975/thousands-of-pounds-of-copper-stolen/

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. *September 6, SoMdNews.com* – (Maryland) **Reactor shut down at Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant.** The Unit 2 reactor at the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant in Lusby was shut down September 5 due to a control rod dropping into the reactor core during an electrical test.
Source: <http://www.somdnews.com/article/20130906/NEWS/130909461/1074/reactor-shut-down-at-calvert-cliffs-nuclear-power-plant&template=southernMaryland>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *September 5, U.S. Department of Labor* – (South Dakota) **Adams Thermal Systems to pay \$1.33 million to resolve OSHA citations, criminal penalties in 2011 death of worker at South Dakota plant.** Adams Thermal Systems Inc. of Canton, South

Dakota, entered into a deferred prosecution agreement with the U.S. Attorney's Office and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, agreeing to pay more than \$1.33 million to resolve fines and criminal penalties stemming from the death of a worker in 2011. The worker died while following procedures that were found to be willful violations of OSHA regulations, and a subsequent inspection found 66 total violations at the facility.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=24738

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

5. *September 5, Los Angeles Daily News* – (California) **Police looking to recover Porsche find alleged credit card fraud ring.** Police in Los Angeles uncovered what is believed to be a major credit card fraud operation after they raided a residence on an unrelated warrant. Police found around 6,000 credit cards as well as encoding machinery and arrested one suspect when he returned to the residence.
Source: <http://www.dailynews.com/general-news/20130905/police-looking-to-recover-porsche-find-alleged-credit-card-fraud-ring>
6. *September 5, KOAA 5 Pueblo* – (Colorado) **Father, sons arrested in series of bank robberies.** Police in Colorado Springs arrested three men linked to eight banks robberies in the area.
Source: <http://www.koaa.com/news/father-sons-arrested-in-series-of-bank-robberies/>
7. *September 5 Manhattan Beach Patch* – (California) **'Beach Cruiser' bank bandit pleads guilty to Manhattan Beach robbery.** A convicted bank robber dubbed the 'Beach Cruiser Bandit' pleaded guilty September 5 to robbing a Manhattan Beach bank and escaping from federal custody. The plea agreement stipulated that he will not be prosecuted for two other bank robberies in the region.
Source: <http://manhattanbeach.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/beach-cruiser-bank-bandit-pleads-guilty-to-manhattan-beach-robbery>
8. *September 5, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Maryland* – (Florida; New Jersey) **Two indicted in \$275 million investment fraud scheme involving the sale of medical accounts receivable to hedge funds and other investors.** A man from Highland Beach, Florida and a man from West Orange, New Jersey were indicted September 5 for allegedly running a complex Ponzi scheme that defrauded investors of more than

\$275 million. The alleged fraud targeted equity investors and asset-based lenders in medical accounts receivable.

Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/baltimore/press-releases/2013/two-indicted-in-275-million-investment-fraud-scheme-involving-the-sale-of-medical-accounts-receivable-to-hedge-funds-and-other-investors>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *September 6, Orlando Sentinel* – (Florida) **Most I-95 SB lanes open after crash, fire.** A three-vehicle crash on Interstate 95 in Cocoa shut down southbound lanes and blocked the right lane for several hours September 6.
Source: <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/local/breakingnews/os-semi-crash-starts-fire-20130906,0,4055216.story>
10. *September 5, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Westbound 10 Freeway shut down in Fontana after big-rig accident.** All westbound lanes of 10 Freeway in Fontana were shut down September 5 after a semi-truck slammed into an overpass bridge. All lanes on the east-west artery and the Sierra Avenue onramp to the westbound 10 were closed.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-big-rig-accident-10-freeway-fontana-20130905,0,3450242.story>
11. *September 5, Anchorage Daily News* – (Alaska) **Van hauling travel-trailer jackknifes on Glenn Highway.** An overturned semi-truck on the Glenn Highway near the Eagle River bridge partially blocked the road and caused closure of all outbound lanes for nearly 4 hours September 5.
Source: <http://www.adn.com/2013/09/05/3059788/accident-closes-outbound-glenn.html>
12. *September 5, KCBS 2 Los Angeles* – (California) **At least 1 killed in 3-vehicle crash on 91 Freeway through Bellflower.** The California Highway Patrol is investigating a three-car accident at Lakewood Boulevard on 91 eastbound Artesia Freeway where at least one person was killed and blocked eastbound lanes for over 3 hours September 5.
Source: <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2013/09/05/at-least-1-killed-in-3-vehicle-crash-on-91-freeway-through-bellflower/>
13. *September 5, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Motorist killed when hit by tractor trailer on Thruway.** A motorist was killed when he was struck by a semi-truck on the Thruway near the William Street exit in Cheektowaga. The accident closed two lanes of the highway for over 3 hours September 5.
Source: <http://www.buffalonews.com/city-region/traffic/motorist-killed-when-hit-by-tractor-trailer-on-thruway-20130905>
14. *September 5, Victoria Advocate* – (Texas) **One killed, one injured after US 77 crash near Refugio.** The driver of a semi-truck died at the scene of the accident on

southbound U.S. Highway 77. The accident closed part of the highway for about 4 hours September 5.

Source:

http://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/2013/sep/05/us77_accident_bm_090513_219022/?counties

15. *September 5, KMVT 11 Twin Falls; KTWT 14 Twin Falls* – (Idaho) **Two injured in three vehicle pileup on Highway 93.** Two people were injured in a three-vehicle accident on U.S. Highway 93 near milepost 65 in Jerome County. The accident closed the southbound lane for approximately 3 hours September 5.
Source: <http://www.kmvt.com/news/local/222594001.html>
16. *September 5, Radnor Patch* – (Pennsylvania) **Darby Paoli Road closed due to bridge damage.** The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation closed Darby Paoli Road between Newtown Road and Brook Road in Radnor indefinitely due to bridge damage. The bridge carries about 6,820 vehicles a day.
Source: <http://radnor.patch.com/groups/politics-and-elections/p/darby-paoli-road-closed-due-to-bridge-damage>
17. *September 5, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Washington, D.C.) **EPA and Coast Guard reach pollution control agreement with Carnival / New Advanced Technologies allow industry to comply with emission standards, reduce costs.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Coast Guard have reached an agreement with Carnival Corporation to develop advanced emission control technology to be used in Emission Control Areas (ECA).
Source:
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/4C89A38454E4C17685257BDD004A44C6>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

18. *September 5, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Cains Foods issues allergen alert for undeclared milk and egg in Olde Cape Cod Chipotle Ranch dressing.** Cains Foods is recalling 2,273 six-pack cases of 16 ounce Olde Cape Cod Chipotle Ranch dressing because it may contain undeclared milk and egg. The recall was initiated after an incorrect back panel label for "Light Raspberry Vinaigrette & Marinade" dressing was discovered.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm367391.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *September 6, WSBTV 2 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Work continues on Clairmont Road water main break.** Hundreds of Dekalb County residents as well as a hotel lost water service after a 30-inch water main break September 4. Maintenance crews continued work September 5-6 to complete repairs and opened lanes in local streets.
Source: <http://www.wsbtv.com/news/news/local/work-continues-clairmont-rd-water-main-break/nZpFD/>
20. *September 6, WBNS 10 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Water main break affecting service in Gahanna.** A boil advisory was issued for Gahanna, Ohio residents with low water pressure after a scheduled maintenance incident led to a broken valve affecting 300 homes.
Source: <http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2013/09/06/gahanna-water-main-break.html>
21. *September 5, Wichita Eagle* – (Kansas) **Agreement increases storage capacity at Redmond Reservoir.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reached an agreement with the State of Kansas to increase the capacity of the sediment-filled John Redmond Reservoir by 30 percent, the water source for the cooling lake at nearby Wolf Creek Nuclear Power Plant.
Source: <http://www.kansas.com/2013/09/05/2983749/agreement-increases-storage-capacity.html>
22. *September 5, Oklahoma City Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **Oklahoma City sinkhole blamed on water main break.** A 10-inch water main break caused a large sinkhole September 5 to open and swallow a vehicle. The two vehicle occupants were unharmed and city crews worked to complete repairs the afternoon of September 5.
Source: <http://newsok.com/oklahoma-city-sinkhole-blamed-on-water-main-break/article/3879645>
23. *September 5, KTVI 2 St. Louis* – (Missouri) **100 homes without water after south city water main break.** About 100 residents of Tower Grove, a south St. Louis neighborhood, lost water service September 4 to allow crews to repair a 12-inch water main break that also damaged a recently repaired street.
Source: <http://fox2now.com/2013/09/05/water-main-break-in-tower-grove-neighborhood/>
24. *September 5, WYAY 106.7 FM Gainesville* – (Georgia) **Water main break leaves Smyrna homes without water.** Cobb County officials reported that a September 5 water main break in a 12-inch cast iron line disrupted water service for about 100 homeowners for several hours. Officials expected to restore service September 5.
Source: <http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/story/23352139/main-break-leaves-smyrna-residents-without-water>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

25. *September 6, Washington Post* – (Maryland) **Prince George's Hospital Center still in the dark after electrical fire causes power outage.** Prince George's Hospital Center was still without power September 6 following an electrical fire in the boiler room on the hospital's campus power plant September 5. The trauma center is operating on generators and surgeries were cancelled and rescheduled.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/prince-georges-hospital-center-still-in-the-dark-after-electrical-fire-causes-power-outage/2013/09/06/1a820f44-16dd-11e3-be6e-dc6ae8a5b3a8_story.html
26. *September 5, WBTW 13 Florence* – (South Carolina) **Personal information of 7,000 MUSC patients possibly compromised.** The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) was notified August 22 by their credit card processing vendor, Blackhawk Consulting Group, that roughly 7,000 individuals who made payments through the hospital's online or telephone payment system were the victims of a cyber-theft. The thieves targeted financial information of patient's who made credit card payments from June 30 through August 21.
Source: <http://www.wbtw.com/story/23348291/musc-vendor>

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Government Facilities Sector

27. *September 6, KGOTV 7 San Francisco* – (California) **3 hospitalized after crash leads to SJ main break.** Crews worked to repair a water main break in San Jose after a semi-truck and a car were in an accident that also shut water to a nearby elementary school.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=news/local/south_bay&id=9238483
28. *September 5, MSN News* – (Massachusetts) **Boston parents can track their children's school buses.** Boston Public Schools created a Web site to allow parents and students to track school buses using real-time GPS technology.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/boston-parents-can-track-their-childrens-school-buses>
29. *September 5, WSAV 3 Savannah; Darien News* – (Georgia) **Sheriff: Social media threat forced closure of McIntosh schools.** McIntosh County Schools were dismissed September 5 after school officials announced a credible security concern at one of the schools. Authorities continued to investigate.
Source: <http://www.wsav.com/story/23348842/security-concern-forces-dismissal-of-mcintosh-county-schools>
30. *September 5, WFSB 3 Hartford* – (Connecticut) **2 University of Bridgeport buildings evacuated after suspicious device found.** Three buildings at the University of Bridgeport were evacuated for 4 hours September 5 after a suspicious device was found at Seaside Park. Police rendered the device safe after they determined it was an empty

pressure cooker.

Source: <http://www.wfsb.com/story/23350945/2-buildings-at-university-of-bridgeport-evacuated-after-suspicious-device-found>

31. *September 5, Oroville Mercury-Register* – (California) **Mylar balloons into power lines started Deer Fire.** The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection announced September 5 that Mylar balloons that flew into a major electrical transmission line were the cause of the 11,429-acre Deer Fire in the Tehama County foothills. The balloons hit the transmission line, melted, and the flaming material fell to the ground igniting the fire.
Source: http://www.orovillemr.com/breakingnews/ci_24027207/mylar-balloons-into-power-lines-started-deer-fire
32. *September 5, McAllen Monitor* – (Texas) **Fake bomb prompts school evacuation at PSJA Memorial.** Officials evacuated and cancelled classes at PSJA Memorial High School in Alamo September 5 after a student uncovered a fake bomb. A bomb squad investigated the device, made to look like a pipe bomb, and determined it was a hoax.
Source: http://www.themonitor.com/news/local/article_4d91d196-1663-11e3-bf9e-0019bb30f31a.html
33. *September 5, CBS News* – (California) **Hunter caused huge wildfire near Yosemite, U.S. Forest Service says.** The U.S. Forest Service announced September 5 that California's Rim Fire was caused by an illegal fire set by a hunter. Containment stood at 80 percent while authorities continued to investigate.
Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-201_162-57601521/hunter-caused-huge-wildfire-near-yosemite-u.s-forest-service-says/

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Emergency Services Sector

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Information Technology Sector

34. *September 6, Help Net Security* – (International) **Massive spike of Tor users caused by Mevade botnet.** Researchers at Fox-IT found evidence that a recent spike in users of The Onion Router (TOR) anonymity network was due to a botnet known as Mevade.A, which may also go by the names "Sefnit" or "SBC."
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=15530>
35. *September 5, Help Net Security* – (International) **Obad Android trojan distributed via mobile botnets.** The operators of the Obad mobile botnet have begun using four distribution methods to spread malware to mobile devices, including through a new

method, dissemination via mobile botnet created by using another form of malware.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2581

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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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Commercial Facilities Sector

36. *September 5, Cybercast News Service* – (California) **Gas leak causes evacuations, road closure in Chula Vista.** A backhoe operator's accidental rupture of a natural gas pipeline at a South Bay construction site September 5 prompted the indefinite evacuation of a nearby strip mall and road closure of a north-south thoroughfare.
Source: <http://www.cbs8.com/story/23354776/gas-leak-causes-evacuations-road-closure-in-chula-vista>
37. *September 5, WCMH 4 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Canal Winchester condo fire causes \$500,000 in damage.** The Columbus Division of Fire is investigating a fire at a bank of condominiums in Canal Winchester September 5 that left over \$500,000 in damages.
Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/23351315/apartment-fire-results-in-second-alarm-in-canal-winchester>

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Dams Sector

38. *September 5, Associated Press* – (Kansas; Missouri) **Repairing levees damaged by Flood of '93 would cost nearly \$67 million.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers updated its estimated costs to repair a levee in Kansas and another in Missouri to \$67 million. The repair estimate is expected to rise over the next 2 years due to adjusting the designs.
Source: <http://www.ksdk.com/news/article/396379/3/Repairing-2-levees-up-to-nearly-67-million->

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