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- The U.S. Department of Justice announced that it would seize an office building in New York City because the company that owns the building is allegedly a front company for a front company for the Iranian government involved in money laundering. – *USA Today* (See item [4](#))
- Two New York men pleaded guilty to their roles in \$200 million international credit card fraud conspiracy. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, District of New Jersey* (See item [5](#))
- Federal prosecutors charged a U.S. Navy commander, a naval criminal investigator, and a defense contractor for conspiring in a bribery scheme to gain millions in international port contracts. – *Associated Press* (See item [24](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *September 17, Charleston State Journal* – (Indiana) **AEP to retire coal-fired power plant in Indiana.** American Electric Power announced September 17 that it will close the coal-fueled Tanners Creek 4 generating unit in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, along with the 3 other generating units at the plant by 2015.

Source: <http://www.statejournal.com/story/23457215/aep-to-retire-coal-fired-power-plant-in-indiana>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *September 17, Wicked Local Plymouth* – (Massachusetts) **Pilgrim Station: Nuclear plant producing power again.** The Pilgrim nuclear power plant in Plymouth returned to service September 15 following its shutdown September 8 to repair a small steam leak. Additional maintenance was performed during the outage and the plant reached 75 percent of generating capacity September 17.

Source: <http://www.wickedlocal.com/plymouth/news/x1655338285/PILGRIM-STATION-Nuclear-plant-producing-power-again>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *September 17, WXYZ 7 Detroit* – (National) **Waterlogic recalls about 48,000 water dispensers due to potential fire risk.** Waterlogic issued a recall for about 48,000 water dispensers due to an issue with the hot water tank that can cause it to stop functioning, cause the machine to overheat, and potentially cause a fire.

Source: <http://www.wxyz.com/dpp/money/consumer/recalls/waterlogic-recalls-about-48000-water-dispensers-due-to-potential-fire-risk>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

4. *September 18, USA Today* – (New York) **Federal government to seize NYC skyscraper tied to Iran.** The U.S. Department of Justice announced that it was granted a judgment allowing it to seize an office building in New York City because the company that owns the building is allegedly a front company for a front company for the Iranian government, and that the company engaged in money laundering and violations of sanctions.
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/09/17/fifth-avenue-skyscraper-iran-government-seizure/2829517/>
5. *September 17, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of New Jersey* – (International) **Two plead guilty in international \$200 million credit card fraud conspiracy.** Two New York men pleaded guilty to their roles in an international credit card fraud conspiracy that used fake credit cards and fraudulent documentation to defraud institutions of more than \$200 million.
Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/newark/press-releases/2013/two-plead-guilty-in-international-200-million-credit-card-fraud-conspiracy>
6. *September 17, Joliet Patch* – (Illinois) **15 people charged in \$100K bank fraud scheme: Joliet police.** Police in Joliet arrested seven and issued warrants for eight others in connection with an alleged bank fraud scheme that involved conspirators stealing more than \$100,000 by giving access to their bank accounts so that fraudulent deposits could be made and then withdrawn before banks could notice.
Source: <http://joliet.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/financial-crime-probe-by-joliet-cops-nets-7-arrests-8-warrants>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *September 18, Associated Press* – (Delaware) **Del. 1 reopens at Pole Bridge road after crash.** An accident involving a semi-truck carrying sand on Delaware Route 1 near Boyds Corner in New Castle County closed northbound lanes for over 4 hours September 18.
Source: <http://www.timesunion.com/news/article/Crash-closes-northbound-Del-1-at-Pole-Bridge-Road-4823568.php>
8. *September 18, CNN* – (International) **Power outage bottlenecks ticketing systems for some airlines, delays flights.** A power outage at Navitaire, a reservation technology company in Minneapolis, shut down computer reservation systems for three carriers and disrupted air travelers throughout North America September 17.
Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2013/09/17/travel/airlines-delays-computer-ticketing/index.html>

9. *September 18, Associated Press* – (California) **Truck accident shuts I-84 westbound in Waterbury.** An accident involving a semi-truck on westbound Interstate 84 in Waterbury closed the highway for nearly 3 hours September 18.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Truck-accident-shuts-I-84-westbound-in-Waterbury-4823514.php>
10. *September 17, Reuters* – (National) **U.S. orders 3,800 Honeywell aircraft beacons inspected.** The Federal Aviation Administration ordered airlines to inspect more than 3,800 planes equipped with Honeywell emergency beacons to check for damage after a fire on an Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 787 was likely caused by a beacon.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/09/17/us-faa-honeywell-idUSBRE98G1CN20130917>
11. *September 17, Wentzville Patch* – (Missouri) **Victims identified in fatal Hwy. 61 crossover crash.** A two-vehicle accident on Highway 61 north of Wentzville killed two people and closed the highway for several hours September 16.
Source: <http://wentzville.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/victims-identified-in-fatal-hwy-61-crossover-crash>
12. *September 17, WBIW 1340 AM Bedford* – (Indiana) **Jasonville man arrested after causing fatal accident.** One person was killed in a two-vehicle accident near Spencer on U.S. 231 South, closing the highway for more than 3 hours September 15.
Intoxication was determined to be a factor in the accident.
Source: <http://www.wbiw.com/local/archive/2013/09/jasonville-man-arrested-after-causing-fatal-accident.php>
13. *September 17, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Big rig crash clogs Hwy. 99 north of Fresno for hours.** An accident involving a semi-truck on Highway 99 north of Fresno caused the closure of northbound lanes for nearly 5-hours September 17.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2013/09/17/3502470/big-rig-crash-clogs-hwy-99-north.html>
14. *September 17, WJHL 11 Johnson City* – (Tennessee) **UPS truck burned, driver killed in deadly crash on I-81.** A fatal two-vehicle accident involving a UPS semi-truck on Interstate 81 at the Greene-Hamblen County line closed northbound lanes for 5 hours September 16.
Source: <http://www.wsls.com/story/23445056/camper-and-truck-crash-on-i-81-near-greene-hamblen-co-line>
15. *September 17, Macon Telegraph* – (Georgia) **I-16 lanes reopen after tractor trailer accident.** An accident involving a semi-truck carrying sugar on westbound Interstate 16 in Bibb County closed a section of the highway for about 3 hours September 17.
Source: <http://www.macon.com/2013/09/17/2668973/tractor-trailer-accident-shuts.html>
16. *September 17, Associated Press* – (Massachusetts) **Fire at Logan Airport fuel pumps strands planes.** A fuel pump at Logan International Airport was engulfed in flames

and prompted airport officials to redirect some international flights and temporarily suspend the airport's underground fuel system September 17.

Source: <http://www.stamfordadvocate.com/news/us/article/Fire-at-Logan-Airport-fuel-pumps-quickly-contained-4822169.php>

17. *September 17, Bay City News* – (California) **Grass fire shuts down highway 116 near Petaluma.** A grass fire near Petaluma closed California Highway 116 in both directions September 17. Officials did not have an estimate on when lanes would reopen.
Source: <http://petaluma.patch.com/groups/police-and-fire/p/grass-fire-shuts-down-highway-116-near-petaluma>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

18. *September 18, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **NC health officials cite Salmonella outbreak.** The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services reported a Salmonella outbreak stemming from a barbeque dinner at the Sandy Plains Baptist Church in Shelby September 7. Nine cases were confirmed and five people were hospitalized.
Source: <http://www.wncn.com/story/23460966/nc-health-officials-cite-salmonella-outbreak>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *September 18, WZVN 26 Naples* – (Florida) **Water outage in McGregor Blvd. area tonight.** Lee County Utilities planned to shut off water to approximately 1,000 customers in surrounded areas of McGregor Boulevard to fix an 8-inch water line and alerted customers to a boil water advisory following repairs.
Source: <http://www.abc-7.com/story/23462377/water>
20. *September 17, WAVE 3 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **Water treatment plant cleans sewage from creek, faces citation.** The Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet will serve the Orchard Grass Water Treatment Plant with a noncompliance citation related to allegations the plant allowed sewage to leak into a Crestwood creek following problems at the plant from alleged illegal fuel dumping.
Source: <http://www.wave3.com/story/23457294/water-treatment-plant-cleans-sewage-from-creek-faces-citation>
21. *September 17, Greensboro News & Record* – (North Carolina) **Broken line dumps 6,000 gallons of sewage into Brush Creek.** An 8-inch pipe ruptured September 17 and caused 6,000 gallons of raw sewage to be dumped into Brush Creek in Greensboro. Officials flushed the creek with fresh water to remove the raw sewage,

Source: http://www.news-record.com/news/local_news/article_3670a6e8-1fe8-11e3-82f2-0019bb30f31a.html

22. *September 17, KRQE 13 Albuquerque* – (New Mexico) **Floodwater contaminates water wells.** The New Mexico Environment Department officials warned thousands of public and private well owners September 16 to flush their wells with chlorine after floodwaters and sewage potentially contaminated the State's water after storms the week of September 9.

Source: <http://www.kasa.com/news/krqe-news/flood-water-contaminates-water-wells>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

23. *September 16, Omaha World-Herald* – (Nebraska) **Norfolk nursing home quarantined in scabies outbreak.** Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health Department officials placed the Heritage of Bel Air nursing home in Norfolk, Nebraska, under quarantine until September 17 after a few patients were identified as having scabies. Residents were treated and facility's rooms were disinfected.

Source: <http://omaha.com/article/20130916/NEWS/130919013/1707>

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Government Facilities Sector

24. *September 18, Associated Press* – (International) **Navy commander, 2 others charged in bribery scheme.** Federal prosecutors charged a U.S. Navy commander, a naval criminal investigator, and a defense contractor for conspiring in a bribery scheme to gain millions in international port contracts. Officials contended that the defense contractor conspired to bribe the other two men with gifts and luxury items in exchange for information that allowed him to overcharge on port contracts by millions.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/navy-commander-2-others-charged-in-bribery-scheme>

25. *September 18, Roanoke Times* – (Virginia) **Rockbridge County wreck sends school bus driver to hospital.** An accident involving a school bus on Virginia 602 near Bethany Road in Rockbridge County injured 3 students and the bus driver and closed the north and south lanes of Turkey Hill Road for over 2 hours September 17.

Source: <http://www.roanoke.com/news/2234226-12/rockbridge-county-wreck-sends-school-bus-driver-to.html>

26. *September 17, WEWS 5 Cleveland* – (Ohio) **All residents can return home after 21 blocks in Canton evacuated over sulfur dioxide release.** Six schools in Canton, Ohio, were closed September 17 after sulfur dioxide was released while a building caught fire September 16. The chemical release prompted the evacuation of several blocks while firefighters responded.

Source: http://www.newsnet5.com/dpp/news/local_news/oh_stark/hazmat-situation-on-

[22nd-street-ne-in-canton](#)

27. *September 17, NBC News; Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Deadly brain amoeba in tap water may be tied to Katrina.** The St. Bernard Parish school system shut off water fountains and used chlorine to kill off a deadly parasite found in the water system to get the water back up to a safe standard after a brain-eating amoeba killed a boy while he was playing outdoors.
Source: <http://www.nbcnews.com/health/deadly-brain-amoeba-drinking-water-may-be-tied-katrina-4B11186085>
28. *September 17, Associated Press* – (California) **Marine killed, 4 hurt in training at Calif. base.** Authorities are investigating after a Marine was killed and 4 others were injured in a training accident at the Twentynine Palms base in California September 16.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2013/09/17/marine-killed-4-hurt-in-training-at-calif-base/>

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29. *September 17, WCSC 5 Charleston* – (South Carolina) **Bond set at \$40K for 911 operator accused of mishandling 45 calls.** Deputies arrested and charged a Charleston County Consolidated Dispatch Center 9-1-1 operator September 17 accused of mishandling 45 calls from January 8 to August 25. The sheriff's office said the operator failed to enter information for the calls, deleted information, or never passed the calls along for dispatching.
Source: <http://www.wistv.com/story/23454175/911-dispatcher-arrested-accused-of-mishandling-emergency-calls>

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Information Technology Sector

30. *September 18, Softpedia* – (International) **New virus protects itself by freezing hard disk.** Researchers at Bkav discovered a new rootkit that creates a restore point of sorts that prevents users from making modifications to the hard disk to remove the virus.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/New-Virus-Protects-Itself-by-Freezing-Hard-Disk-384132.shtml>
31. *September 18, Help Net Security* – (International) **Microsoft issued fix it for actively exploited IE 0-day.** Microsoft issued a security warning about a zero day vulnerability in all supported versions of Internet Explorer that can allow arbitrary code execution via a memory corruption issue. The company made a fix it solution available until a patch can be issued to close the vulnerability.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=15601>

32. *September 17, Threatpost* – (International) **Patches for Django framework fix DoS vulnerability.** The developers of Web framework Django released a new version which closes several security issues, including a denial of service (DoS) vulnerability that can be leveraged by submitting large passwords to overwhelm servers.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/patches-for-django-framework-fix-dos-vulnerability>
33. *September 17, eWeek* – (International) **Mozilla updates Firefox 24 with 17 security advisories.** Mozilla released an update for its Firefox browser, closing 17 security vulnerabilities, including 7 vulnerabilities rated “critical.”
Source: <http://www.eweek.com/security/mozilla-updates-firefox-24-with-17-security-advisories.html>
34. *September 17, Softpedia* – (International) **ZeuS malware found in 23% of spam attachments sent out in August 2013.** Trend Micro reported that variants of the ZeuS trojan were identified in 23 percent of malicious attachments in spam emails during August, making it the most distributed malware by spam during the month.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/ZeuS-Malware-Found-in-23-of-Spam-Attachments-Sent-Out-in-August-2013-383692.shtml>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

35. *September 18, KXTV 10 Sacramento* – (California) **1 dead, 4 injured in shooting at Stockton grocery store.** Police are investigating a September 17 shooting at Danny’s Market grocery store in Stockton which left four injured and one dead.
Source: <http://www.news10.net/news/article/257700/2/1-dead-4-injured-in-shooting-at-Stockton-grocery-store>
36. *September 18, WREX 13 Rockford* – (Illinois) **Winn. Co. bomb squad gives all clear at Loves Park restaurant.** The Winnebago County Bomb Squad cleared the scene at a Loves Park restaurant and reopened a major street following a police search of the Hope & Anchor’s Pub’s basement several hours after a suspicious package was left by a banned patron.

Source: <http://www.wrex.com/story/23457666/2013/09/17/police-respond-to-bomb-threat-at-hope-anchor>

37. *September 17, Asbury Park Press* – (New Jersey) **Jersey Shore boardwalk fire ruled accidental.** Investigators confirmed September 17 the cause of the Jersey Shore boardwalk fire which destroyed or damaged 68 businesses September 12 was accidentally started by an electrical malfunction.

Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/09/17/new-jersey-boardwalk-fire-cause/2825225/>

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Dams Sector

38. *September 17, KELO 11 Sioux Falls* – (South Dakota) **Army Corps of Engineers to reimburse the city about \$10 million for levee work.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will reimburse the City of Sioux Falls nearly \$10 million for work on the city's levee system after improvements to the system were substantially completed.

Source: <http://kelo.com/news/articles/2013/sep/17/army-corps-of-engineers-to-reimburse-the-city-about-10-million-for-levee-work/>

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