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Energy Sector

1. *October 8, Associated Press* – (Massachusetts) **Largest coal-fired plant in NE to close by 2017.** Owners of the coal-fired Brayton Point Power Station in Somerset filed papers October 7 to retire the plant by May 2017 and no longer provide power to the region's electricity grid. Several reasons were cited for the plant's shutdown, including low electricity prices.
Source: <http://money.msn.com/business-news/article.aspx?feed=AP&date=20131008&id=16976927>
2. *October 8, Beaumont Enterprise* – (Texas) **San Antonio oil well blast injures 1.** At least 1 person was injured in an oil well explosion in Karnes County October 8 that forced the closure of Highway 80 from Gillett between Highway 119 and Nixon while crews worked to quell the fire at the blast site.
Source: <http://www.beaumontenterprise.com/news/article/San-Antonio-oil-well-blast-injures-1-4878188.php>
3. *October 8, Inquisitr* – (National) **Northeast storms move fast, knocking out power for thousands.** Heavy precipitation and high winds in the northeast caused over 23,000 people to lose power in New Hampshire, forced several road closures, and prompted New Jersey to close several schools.
Source: <http://www.inquisitr.com/984110/northeast-storms-move-fast-knocking-out-power-for-thousands/>
4. *October 8, WOAI 4 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Explosion at saltwater disposal well injures one in Karnes County.** An explosion at a saltwater disposal well in Karnes County injured one person and closed highway 80 between Highway 119 and Nixon for an undisclosed amount of time October 8.
Source: <http://www.kens5.com/news/At-least-one-person-injured-in--226880101.html>

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Chemical Industry Sector

5. *October 7, KBYG; KWES NewsWest 9 Midland* – (Texas) **No injuries reported after pipeline explosion in Howard County.** A pipeline break near Stallings and Rockhouse Road in southwest Howard County, Texas, leaked poisonous H₂S gas vapors and closed nearby roads for about 3 hours October 7.
Source: <http://www.newswest9.com/story/23630636/officials-working-pipeline-explosion-in-howard-county>
6. *October 6, Houston Chronicle* – (Michigan) **FBI raid of dangerous chemical includes Michigan homes.** FBI agents searched three properties around Houston and two

properties in northwest Michigan owned by the same person for potentially hazardous chemicals October 11. No arrests were reported.

Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/FBI-raid-of-dangerous-chemical-includes-Michigan-4873790.php>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

7. *October 8, Asbury Park Press* – (New Jersey) **Oyster Creek cancels restart attempt.** The Oyster Creek nuclear power plant in Lacey Township canceled a second restart attempt October 7 after a loss of vacuum in the plant's main condenser was detected and traced back to a hole in an expansion joint on piping from a reheater relief valve. Source: <http://www.app.com/article/20131007/NJNEWS/310070074/Oyster-Creek-cancels-restart-attempt>
8. *October 8, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Pennsylvania) **Nuclear inspection finds corrosion at Beaver Valley.** The operators of the Beaver Valley Power Station in Shippingport reported October 7 that they identified a small hole in the steel liner of the Unit 1 containment building. A piece of wood embedded in the containment building's concrete was suspected to be the cause of the corrosion. Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/stories/business/news/nuclear-inspection-finds-corrosion-at-beaver-valley-706679/>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

9. *October 8, IDG News Service* – (International) **Three indicted in alleged source code theft from trading house.** Two former traders and an alleged accomplice were indicted in New York State Supreme Court for allegedly stealing source code and trading strategy files from Netherlands-based Flow Traders when the two traders worked for the company's Manhattan office. Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9243049/Three_indicted_in_alleged_source_code_theft_from_trading_house

10. *October 7, KTRK 13 Houston* – (Texas) **Alleged ‘wigged-out bandit,’ accomplices arrested in Houston credit union robbery.** Authorities in Houston arrested three individuals suspected of robbing a Texas Dow Employees Credit Union September 11, one of which was given the nickname the “wigged-out bandit.” Two men were accused of robbing the credit union while the third acted as a lookout.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=9277865>

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Transportation Systems Sector

11. *October 8, KJRH 2 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **Tanker carrying anhydrous ammonia overturns near Highway 169, no chemical spilled.** A single-vehicle accident involving a semi-truck that overturned and spilled anhydrous ammonia at 46th Street North near Highway 169 in Tulsa October 8 closed the onramp while officials and HAZMAT crews responded.
Source: http://www.kjrh.com/dpp/news/local_news/tanker-carrying-anhydrous-ammonia-overturns-near-highway-169-no-chemical-spilled
12. *October 7, KPVI 6 Pocatello* – (Idaho) **Crash on US91 Kills Fort Hall Man.** A two-vehicle, head-on collision on Highway 91 at milepost 93 on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation killed one driver and closed the road for an undisclosed amount of time October 7. The crash is still under investigation.
Source: <http://www.kpvi.com/content/news/local/story/Crash-on-US91-Kills-Fort-Hall-Man/3eQ4CIyM-UCy4wCW-9ZC5Q.csp>
13. *October 7, New York Post* – (Connecticut; New York) **‘Unusual’ cause for Metro-North outage.** Authorities stated that a power outage that stopped train service on Metro-North’s New Haven line September 25 was caused by workers using liquid nitrogen. The utility company and New York State Public Service Commission are still investigating the outage.
Source: <http://nypost.com/2013/10/07/unusual-cause-for-metro-north-outage/>
14. *October 7, KGO-TV 7 San Francisco* – (California) **Propane tanker overturns in Richmond.** An accident involving a semi-truck that overturned on Carlson Boulevard at Interstate Highway 80 in Richmond, California, closed the eastbound on and off ramps for several hours as crews cleared leaked gas off the road. A nearby hotel was evacuated as a precaution.
Source: http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=news/local/east_bay&id=9277599

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Food and Agriculture Sector

15. *October 7, Associated Press* – (California; Oregon; Washington) **USDA issues alert for Foster Farms chicken products.** The U.S. Department of Agriculture issued a public health alert October 7 for Foster Farms raw chicken that may be contaminated with Salmonella Heidelberg and has caused 278 illnesses since March.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/usda-issues-alert-for-foster-farms-chicken-products>
16. *October 7, Associated Press* – (National) **Early snow kills thousands of cattle in SD.** An early-season snowstorm in the Midwest left up to 4 feet of snow parts of South Dakota, left thousands of people in the region without electricity, caused road and air travel disruptions, and killed an estimated 5 percent of cattle in parts of western South Dakota. State officials will not know the extent of the cattle loss for several days until ranchers locate their cattle.
Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/us/article/Early-snow-leaves-thousands-without-power-in-SD-4875848.php>
17. *October 7, WCSH 6 Portland* – (Maine) **Maine CDC warns of hepatitis outbreak at Durham event.** The Maine Center for Disease Control & Prevention investigated a case of hepatitis A that was traced to a community event at the Durham Friends Meetinghouse in Durham, Maine, the weekend of September 28.
Source: <http://www.wcsh6.com/news/article/259118/2/Maine-CDC-warns-of-hepatitis-outbreak-at-Durham-event>
18. *October 4, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Maryland; Pennsylvania; West Virginia) **Turkey Hill Dairy issues voluntary recall of Chocolate Peanut Butter Cup Premium Ice Cream, Fudge Ripple Premium Ice Cream, and Moose Tracks Stuff'd Frozen Dairy Dessert.** Turkey Hill Dairy of Conestoga, Pennsylvania, recalled specific packages of 1.5 qt. Fudge Ripple Premium Ice Cream, 1 Pint packages of Chocolate Peanut Butter Cup Premium Ice Cream, and Moose Tracks Stuff'd Frozen Dairy Dessert due to possible metal shavings in some packages.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm370820.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *October 8, Saratoga Springs Saratogian* – (New York) **Tests show Ballston water supply tainted.** The Town of Ballston planned to discuss October 8 whether to disconnect its water supply from the Saratoga County Water Authority's East Line Road pump station following a test results from a September 18 water sample which

revealed double the amount of haloacetic acids under federal regulations.

Source:

<http://saratogian.com/articles/2013/10/08/news/doc525350b1ca29d902557808.txt?viewmode=fullstory>

20. *October 6, KTVT 11 Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Electrical malfunction causes massive sewage spill in Westlake.** Officials with the Town of Westlake announced an electrical malfunction at a sewer lift station caused the flood gates to open and more than 213,000 gallons of sewage to spill in Westlake and along Trophy Club creek into a neighborhood pond. The creek and pond will be treated once they are both drained. Source: <http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2013/10/06/electrical-malfunction-causes-massive-sewage-spill-in-westlake/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *October 7, South Jersey Times* – (New Jersey) **Westampton Twp CVS employee stole 6,220 pills, police say.** A CVS employee was charged with stealing 6,220 prescription pills of various medications from the Westampton Township pharmacy and selling them from December 2012 to October 2013. Source: http://www.nj.com/south/index.ssf/2013/10/westampton_township_cvs_employ.html
22. *October 7, Charlotte Business Journal* – (North Carolina) **CaroMont notifies 1,310 patients of potential data breach.** Gastonia-based CaroMont Health notified 1,310 patients that their personal health information may have been compromised after a staff member from CaroMont Medial Group, the health care system's physician arm, transmitted patient data in an unsecure email. The company is retraining staff on the use and disclosure of patient information and do not believe the patient information is at risk. Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/charlotte/news/2013/10/07/caromont-notifies-1310-patients-of.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *October 8, WITN 7 Washington* – (North Carolina) **Edenton-Chowan District closes all schools as deputies investigate threat.** School officials closed all four schools in the Edenton-Chowan district October 8 under the advisement of the sheriff's office regarding a bomb threat to area bridges and schools. Authorities are investigating the threat. Source: <http://www.witn.com/news/education/headlines/Edenton-Chowan-District-Closes-All-Schools-As-Deputies-Investigate-Threat--226892221.html>

24. *October 8, San Francisco Examiner* – (California) **Computer containing patient data stolen from UCSF employee's car.** The University of California, San Francisco notified 3,541 patients that their medical and personal information may have been compromised after a laptop and paper documents were stolen from an employee's car September 9. The computer belonged to a Division of Transplantation employee from the university's medical center.
Source: <http://www.sfexaminer.com/sanfrancisco/computer-containing-patient-data-stolen-from-ucsf-employees-car/Content?oid=2599830>
25. *October 7, Ocala Star-Banner* – (Florida) **Courthouse resumes operations after no hazardous materials found.** Marion County Judicial Center in Florida was evacuated for two hours October 7 after employees discovered white powder while they were shredding mail. A HAZMAT team cleared the scene after the powder turned out to be residue from the paper shredding process.
Source: <http://www.ocala.com/article/20131007/ARTICLES/131009741/-1/news?Title=Courthouse-evacuated-as-team-examines-report-of-white-powder-&tc=ar>
26. *October 7, WKMG 6 Orlando* – (Florida) **195 Marion County elementary school students still out sick, officials say.** Officials are investigating East Marion Elementary in Marion County after 195 students were still absent from school October 7 following nearly 300 students who stayed home October 4 due to an illness. School workers disinfected and sanitized the school while authorities await test results.
Source: http://www.clickorlando.com/news/195-marion-county-elementary-students-still-out-sick-officials-say/-/1637132/22313280/-/jgslcz/-/index.html?hpt=us_bn8
27. *October 7, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Nine injured in Burke County school bus crash.** Officials are investigating an Oak Hill Elementary School crash after eight students and the driver were injured when the bus overturned in Burke County, North Carolina, October 7.
Source: <http://www.thetimesnews.com/news/region-state/nine-injured-in-burke-county-school-bus-crash-1.214349>
28. *October 7, Black Hills Pioneer* – (South Dakota) **Sturgis Middle School closed for the week.** Building snow damage prompted the closure of Sturgis Middle School and rural attendance centers of Meade School District in South Dakota for the week of October 7. Officials will discuss the future use of the middle school building October 10.
Source: http://www.bhpioneer.com/local_news/article_5ee45792-2f9b-11e3-a349-0019bb2963f4.html
29. *October 7, Associated Press* – (West Virginia; Kentucky) **W.Va. Social Security judge accused of disability scheme.** Congressional investigators released a report October 7 claiming a retired Social Security judge in West Virginia teamed up with a lawyer and improperly awarded disability benefits to 1,800 applicants from 2006 to 2010. The lawyer, along with several judges and a group of doctors, exploited the

program for their own personal gain while the Social Security Administration paid the lawyer's firm \$4.5 million in attorney fees.

Source: http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/w-va-social-security-judge-accused-of-disability-scheme/article_431c46ab-9bd3-586c-98c2-e11a05a0d062.html

30. *October 7, KMOV 4 St. Louis* – (Missouri) **Health information of 3,000 people may have been released in SLU security breach.** Saint Louis University (SLU) notified about 3,000 people that their health information may have been accessed August 2013 after some university employees gave out their account information in a phishing email allowing unauthorized access to 20 SLU email accounts containing the health information. School officials are looking into the incident.
Source: <http://www.kmov.com/news/local/Health-information-of-3000-people-may-have-been-released-in-SLU-security-breach-226785021.html>
31. *October 7, KCAL 9 Los Angeles* – (California) **Piece of roof collapses in WWII hangar, puncturing \$35M Zeppelin.** Helium gas was released after falling debris from a collapsed roof of an Orange County World War II hangar in the old Tustin Marine Corps base left a hole in an experimental zeppelin airship causing it to partially deflate. Officials are still assessing the total damage.
Source: <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2013/10/07/piece-of-roof-collapses-in-wwii-hangar-puncturing-35m-zeppelin/>

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Emergency Services Sector

32. *October 7, Oklahoma City Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **Ambulance stolen, crashed in Oklahoma City.** Officers arrested and charged a teenager after he crashed an Emergency Medical Services Authority ambulance in southwest Oklahoma City. The teen stole the ambulance while paramedics were parked at a gas station.
Source: <http://newsok.com/update-boy-steals-ambulance-briefly-before-crashing-in-southwest-oklahoma-city-late-sunday/article/3890815>
33. *October 7, Salem Statesman Journal* – (Oregon) **Riot breaks out at southern Oregon OYA facility.** Officials spent 5 hours stopping a riot at the Rogue Valley Youth Correctional Facility in Grants Pass after 11 youths became unruly and began damaging property after a contraband search October 6. Police officers negotiated with the 11 youths after they barricaded themselves inside a unit with furniture.
Source: <http://www.statesmanjournal.com/article/20131007/UPDATE/131007015/Riot-breaks-out-Southern-Oregon-OYA-facility?gcheck=1>

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Information Technology Sector

34. *October 8, The Register* – (International) **Android adware that MUST NOT BE NAMED threatens MILLIONS.** Researchers at FireEye warned that an unnamed popular mobile ad library used by a large number of Android apps could pose a severe malware threat to millions of users. The researchers did not name the ad library due to the security threat, but stated that affected apps have been downloaded more than 200 million times in total, and that the vulnerability could be exploited for a variety of malicious uses
Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/10/08/android_ad_peril/
35. *October 8, Softpedia* – (International) **Arrest of BlackHole exploit kit author Paunch confirmed.** The head of Europol's European Cybercrime Centre confirmed the arrest of Russian hacker Paunch, the alleged creator of the BlackHole exploit kit.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Arrest-of-BlackHole-Exploit-Kit-Author-Paunch-Confirmed-389410.shtml>
36. *October 8, Softpedia* – (International) **Hackers can decrypt your WhatsApp messages, experts warn.** A security researcher reported that attackers can decrypt WhatsApp message by exploiting encryption protocol flaws. The research published a proof-of-concept to demonstrate his findings.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hackers-Can-Decrypt-Your-WhatsApp-Messages-Expert-Warns-389456.shtml>
37. *October 8, Help Net Security* – (International) **Microsoft hands out \$128k in bug bounties.** Microsoft announced that it paid bug bounties to six researchers who identified bugs in a preview version of Internet Explorer 11.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=15732>
38. *October 7, IDG News Service* – (International) **Hosting provider LeaseWeb falls victim to DNS hijacking.** Hosting provider LeaseWeb had its domain name taken over by attackers for a short time October 7 after the company's Domain Name System (DNS) records were hijacked. Visitors during the attack were redirected to a page outside LeaseWeb's control.
Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/100713-hosting-provider-leaseweb-falls-victim-274575.html>
39. *October 7, Threatpost* – (International) **Router flaw could disclose sensitive configuration, password information.** Asus released an update for its RT-N10E routers that closes an authentication bypass vulnerability that could have been used to discover the device configuration settings and the device's administrator password.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/router-flaw-could-disclose-sensitive-configuration-password-information>

Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at soc@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

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

40. *October 8, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **2 accused in southwestern Illinois convenience store stabbings that kills woman, injures man.** A man and woman were charged in the stabbing of 2 people at a Quik Trip store in Edwardsville that left 1 victim dead and the other 1 injured.

Source:

<http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/6d121114bb974ecfb06cca4aa652e8fd/IL--Granite-City-Stabbing-Death/#.UIQNCICkq0g>

41. *October 7, KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **Cigarette to blame for north Austin apartment fire.** Fire officials warned residents to properly dispose cigarettes following an October 6 fire at the Solano Apartments in north Austin that started when a cigarette was improperly put out causing an estimated \$300,000 in damages to the 16-unit building.

Source: <http://www.kvue.com/news/Fire-damages-North-Austin-apartment-complex-226675531.html>

42. *October 7, KDVR 31 Denver* – (Colorado) **Fire started by careless smoker burns 20 units in Colorado Springs apartment complex.** An October 6 fire burned 12 units and displaced 20 residents from The Retreat at Austin Bluffs apartment complex in Colorado Springs, Colorado, after a cigarette was improperly discarded. Two nearby buildings were also cleared out as a result of the fire.

Source: <http://kdvr.com/2013/10/07/3-alarm-fire-destroys-20-units-in-colorado-springs-apartment-complex/>

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