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- Suzuki announced a recall of 210,228 motorcycles due to braking system issues. *Associated Press* (See item 4)
- Bank of America and a former Countrywide executive were found liable for \$848.2 million in losses to Freddie Mack and Fannie Mae caused by shoddy loans sold to the two organizations. *Reuters* (See item 7)
- Reser's Fine Foods recalled approximately 109,000 cases of refrigerated ready-to-eat products due to potential Listeria monocytogenes contamination. *U.S. Food and Drug Administration* (See item <u>17</u>)
- Two men accused of discharging 2 homemade explosive devices in a Camden, Delware Walmart store were arrested in connection to the September 21 incident. *KYW 3 Philadelphia* (See item <u>29</u>)

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Energy Sector

- October 24, WMAQ 5 Chicago (Illinois) Cause of Lemont refinery fire under investigation. Authorities are investigating the cause of an October 23 fire at the Lemont Citgo oil refinery in Chicago. Crews shut down the crude oil unit while battling the fire and continued to monitor air quality in surrounding areas.
 Source: http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/Fire-Breaks-Out-at-Lemont-Refinery-229033171.html
- 2. October 23, Ashville Citizen-Times (North Carolina) Contamination found in well near Duke plant. Duke Energy was ordered by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources October 23 to provide safe drinking water to a residence by November 15 after testing showed the home's private well was contaminated. The well is located between the utility's coal ash storage ponds at its Ashville power plant and the French Broad River. Source: http://www.citizen-times.com/article/20131024/NEWS/310240019/Contamination-found-well-near-Duke-plant?

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. October 23, WIBW 13 Topeka – (Kansas) Air conditioning unit malfunction shuts down Wolf Creek. A spokesperson for the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station in Burlington, Kansas, reported that the plant shut down after one of the plant's air conditioning units malfunctioned October 18. The spokesperson said the plant was expected to return to service during the October 26 weekend.

Source: http://www.wibw.com/home/headlines/Air-Conditiong-Unit-Malfunction-Shuts-Down-Wolf-Creek-229001701.html

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. October 24, Associated Press – (National) Suzuki recalling 210,228 motorcycles in the U.S. Suzuki announced a recall of 210,228 model year 2004-2013 GSX-R600 and GSX-R750 and model year 2005-2013 GSX-R1000 vehicles due to an issue with the braking system that can reduce braking power.

Source: http://www.foxnews.com/leisure/2013/10/24/suzuki-recalling-210228-

motorcycles-in-us/

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

5. October 24, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission – (International) SEC charges Stryker Corporation with FCPA violations. Michigan-based medical technology company Stryker Corporation agreed to pay more than \$13.2 million to settle charges brought by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission concerning the company's subsidiaries in five countries using bribes to medical and government employees in order to make around \$7.5 million in illicit profits.

Source: http://www.sec.gov/News/PressRelease/Detail/PressRelease/1370540044262

- 6. October 24, Columbus Dispatch (Ohio; Louisiana) Bank awarded \$27.8 million in real-estate fraud case. A federal judge awarded IberiaBank of Louisiana \$27.8 million as the result of a civil lawsuit against a Columbus homebuilder and his accountant for fraudulently obtaining loans by overstating the value of a home. The original award of \$9.3 million was tripled because the homebuilder and accountant's pattern of fraud violated the Racketeer Influences and Corrupt Organizations Act.

 Source: http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2013/10/24/bank-awarded-27-8m-in-real-estate-fraud-case.html
- 7. October 23, Reuters (National) Bank of America liable for Countrywide mortgage fraud. A federal jury found Bank of America and a former Countrywide executive liable for originating shoddy loans and then selling them to Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, resulting in \$848.2 million in losses to the government mortgage organizations. Source: http://news.msn.com/us/bank-of-america-liable-for-countrywide-mortgage-fraud

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Transportation Systems Sector

8. October 24, CNN – (Texas) Two people killed in crash of vintage P-51 Mustang aircraft in Gulf of Mexico. A fatal accident involving a vintage P-51 Mustang aircraft that crashed in the Gulf of Mexico near Galveston killed two people onboard the plane October 23. The Coast Guard along with State and local authorities and a volunteer

rescue group assisted in rescue efforts.

Source: http://www.cnn.com/2013/10/23/us/vintage-plane-crashes-texas/index.html

9. October 24, Reuters – (International) Pirates kidnap two U.S. sailors off Nigerian coast -sources. Pirates attacked and kidnapped two U.S. citizens off the C-Retriever vessel owned by Edison Chouest Offshore off the Nigerian coast October 23. The U.S. Department of State and FBI are responding to the incident.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/10/24/us-nigeria-piracy-

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- October 24, CNN (Louisiana) Four arrested in missing AR-15s case. Four
 Louisiana men were arrested after 63 semi-automatic rifles went missing from the Conway Freight shipping warehouse in Shreveport October 23.
 Source: http://www.cnn.com/2013/10/23/justice/missing-ar-15-arrests/index.html
- 11. October 23, Wall Street Journal (California) Bay Area train fire causes evacuation, delays. A fire on a Bay Area Rapid Transit train at Orinda station in California caused an evacuation of the Pittsburg/Bay Point-bound train and resulted in limited delays October 23.

Source: http://www.marketwatch.com/story/bay-area-train-fire-causes-evacuation-delays-2013-10-23

12. *October* 23, *Sun Herald* – (Mississippi) **75 gallons of hydrochloric acid byproduct leaked at U.S. 49 in Gulfport.** An accident involving a semi-truck carrying 55-gallon drums of hydrochloric acid that leaked on U.S. 49 closed down a section of the highway south of O'Neal Road in Gulfport for an undisclosed amount of time and had cleanup crews at the scene for about 7 hours October 23.

Source: <a href="http://www.sunherald.com/2013/10/23/5053358/us-49-in-gulfport-re-opens-parked-to-the-parked-t

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Food and Agriculture Sector

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13. October 23, NBC News – (National) Parasite outbreak over; fresh cilantro blamed in Texas. A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention investigation determined that there was more than one outbreak of cyclosporiasis during June-August 2013, which sickened more than 640 people in 25 States, and traced the illnesses not only to bagged restaurant salad but also to fresh cilantro.

 ${\bf Source: \ \underline{http://www.nbcnews.com/health/parasite-outbreak-over-fresh-cilantro-blamed-} \\ \underline{texas-8C11451973}$

14. *October 23*, *Wichita Eagle* – (Kansas) **EPA fines Wichita pesticide producer.**American Chemical Systems II, a pesticide producer based in Wichita, was fined \$85,640 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and faces a civil penalty of \$11,000 connected to its role in the distribution of misbranded pesticides in violation of

federal law.

Source: http://www.kansas.com/2013/10/23/3074572/epa-fines-wichita-pesticide-producer.html

15. October 23, Imperial Valley News – (National) **FSIS issues new guidance on humane handling.** The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service will issue new guidance to support the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act to ensure and enforce the humane treatment of livestock presented for slaughter.

Source: http://www.imperialvalleynews.com/index.php/news/national-news/5711-fsis-issues-new-guidance-on-humane-handling.html

16. October 23, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Naturemost
Laboratories issues allergy alert on undeclared allergens in product. NatureMost
Laboratories of Middletown, Connecticut, recalled Vanilla Almond Whey Power and
Strawberry Banana Whey Power products because they may contain undeclared milk,
almond, and/or soy allergens. The recall was initiated after the U.S. Food and Drug
Administration discovered the allergen statement was omitted from the label during an
inspection.

Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm372004.htm

- 17. October 22, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (National; International) Reser's Fine Foods, Inc. recalls refrigerated ready-to-eat products due to potential health risk. Reser's Fine Foods of Beaverton, Oregon, recalled approximately 109,000 cases of refrigerated ready-to-eat products manufactured at its Topeka, Kansas salad manufacturing facility due to potential Listeria monocytogenes contamination. Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm371955.htm
- 18. October 22, KTXL 40 Sacramento (California) Employee accused of lighting fires at Vacaville factory. A man suspected of arson was arrested October 22 in connection with a fire at the Mariani Fruit Packing Company in Vacaville October 9. Source: http://fox40.com/2013/10/22/employee-accused-of-lighting-fires-at-vacaville-factory/

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. October 23, Jefferson Post – (North Carolina) West Jefferson reports 20,000 gallon wastewater spill. The Division of Water Quality was notified October 21 of a 20,000 gallon untreated wastewater spill in the Town of West Jefferson October 10 that was caused by a hole found in a 6-inch piece of ductile iron pipe at the Beaver Creek Pump Station. Ten thousand gallons of the wastewater spilled into Beaver Creek in the New River Basin.

Source: http://www.jeffersonpost.com/news/home_top-news/2682315/West-Jefferson-reports-20000-gallon-wastewater-spill

20. October 23, Longmont Times-Call – (Colorado) Chlorine levels back to normal in

Longmont. City officials reported chlorine levels in the city's water returned to normal after a temporary increase was required the week of October 21 by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to ensure water safety and quality as crews worked to bring the town of Lyon's water system back online following flooding.

Source: http://www.timescall.com/longmont-local-news/ci_24372999/chlorine-levels-back-normal-longmont

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *October* 23, *Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) More charged in federal probe of Sacred Heart Hospital. Authorities charged 2 former Sacred Heart Hospital executives and 1 doctor in addition to 5 others that were previously charged in connection to an alleged fraud scheme involving more than \$350,000 in illegal kickbacks to doctors for referring patients covered by Medicare or Medicaid to the now-closed Illinois hospital. Officials are continuing to investigate several other complaints filed against the hospital. Source: http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-more-charged-infederal-probe-of-sacred-heart-hospital-20131023,0,2828380.story

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Government Facilities Sector

22. October 24, CNN – (Washington) 11-year-old accused of bringing gun and 400 rounds of ammo to school. Police arrested and charged a Vancouver, Washington 11-year-old after he caused Frontier Middle School to go on lock down for roughly 2 hours October 23 when he brought 400 rounds of ammunition, multiple knives, and a handgun to the campus.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.cnn.com/2013/10/24/justice/washington-school-gunarrest/index.html}$

23. October 24, York Daily Record; Lancaster Sunday News – (Pennsylvania) Bomb threat causes evacuation at Central York High School. Classes at Central York High School in Springettsbury Township were cancelled after students and staff evacuated the building October 23 due to a hoax bomb threat. Police searched the school and cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.ydr.com/local/ci_24367402/york-county-911-confirms-police-\underline{incident-at-central}}$

24. October 23, KATC 3 Lafayette – (Louisiana) Morgan City gas line repaired; evacuations lifted. Classes at Wyandotte Elementary School were cancelled October 23 after a gas line leaked in Morgan City, prompting the school and several area businesses to evacuate while crews repaired the line.

Source: http://www.katc.com/news/morgan-city-gas-line-repaired-evacuations-lifted/

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Information Technology Sector

25. October 24, Softpedia – (International) Php.net flagged as suspicious website by Google. Google warned users who tried to visit Php.net that four trojans were found on the site October 23 and blocked access.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Php-net-Flagged-as-Malicious-Website-393920.shtml

26. October 24, Help Net Security – (International) Attackers use smaller botnets to launch high-bandwidth attacks. Prolexic's third quarter 2013 report on distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks found that attackers have often shifted to using smaller botnets for distributed reflection denial of service (DrDoS) attacks that allow attackers to obfuscate the source of the attack and to use the bandwidth of intermediary victims, among other findings.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=15812

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

27. October 23, KPAX 8 Missoula – (Montana) Cut line knocks out Bitterroot phone service, 9-1-1 impacted. CenturyLink officials reported a contractor in Hamilton in Ravalli County cut a fiber-optic trunk line October 23 causing phone, DSL Internet, and emergency services to suffer an outage. Service was expected to be restored October 23.

Source: http://www.kaj18.com/news/cut-line-knocks-out-bitterroot-phone-service-9-1-limpacted/

28. October 23, Mediabistro.com – (Maryland) WHAG transmitter outage going on fourth day. The television station, WHAG 25 Hagerstown, reported the station's transmitter suffered an outage October 20 that prevented the transmission of an over the

air signal. Crews were reportedly looking into the cause and offered no estimated return-to-air date.

Source: http://www.mediabistro.com/tvspy/whag-transmitter-outage-going-on-fourth-day_b107300

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Commercial Facilities Sector

- 29. October 23, KYW 3 Philadelphia (Delaware) 2 arrested after homemade explosive devices discharge inside Walmart. Delaware fire officials reported 2 men were arrested in connection to a September 21 incident at a Camden Walmart store after the men discharged 2 homemade explosive devices in 2 of the store's restrooms. Source: http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2013/10/23/2-arrested-after-homemade-explosive-devices-discharge-inside-walmart/
- 30. October 23, Associated Press (Texas) 3 hurt in stabbing attack at El Paso nightclub, man with box cutter arrested. Police arrested and charged a man October 23 after he used a box cutter to slash three people following a fight at a night club in El Paso.

Source:

http://www.tribtown.com/view/story/d770f9b1c41c4041b8bcf2fcdb911578/TX--El-Paso-Attack

31. *October 23*, *Allentown Morning Call* – (Pennsylvania) **Five injured in Massive Pa. hotel fire.** A four-alarm fire at the Mineral Springs Hotel in Forks Township left 12 people displaced and 5 people injured October 22. Officials are investigating the cause of the fire.

Source: http://www.firehouse.com/news/11197033/forks-township-pa-hotel-on-fire

32. *October* 22, *WFSB 3 Hartford* – (Connecticut) **Condo fire displaces 20 in Middletown.** Authorities are investigating the cause of a fire that displaced 21 people from a Middletown, Connecticut, condo complex October 21.

Source: http://www.wfsb.com/story/23749509/condo-fire-reported-in-middletown

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Dams Sector

33. October 23, Mount Pleasant Morning Sun – (Michigan) Windoga Lake dam repairs underway. About \$100,000 in repairs to the Windoga Lake dam are expected to be completed October 26 after an April 2012 failure of the dam's water control structure mechanism led to the draining of the lake used for fishing and swimming. Source: http://www.themorningsun.com/general-news/20131023/windoga-lake-dam-

repairs-underway

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