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- Officials are searching for a break in an 8-inch Koch Pipeline Company pipe which spilled 17,000 gallons of crude oil in Fayette County, Texas. – *KVUE 24 Austin* (See item [1](#))
- An October 29 dust storm contributed to a multiple-fatality accident involving 19 vehicles along Arizona's Interstate 10, which killed 3, injured 12, and shut down westbound lanes for more than 5 hours. – *Associated Press* (See item [7](#))
- Portland Water Bureau spokesman reported a 100-year old, 24-inch cast-iron water main break October 29 caused significant flooding and surface damage, affecting traffic, flooding the basements of buildings, and knocking out power. – *KOIN 12 Portland* (See item [13](#))
- A suspect in a string of five murders across multiple locations including a gas station was captured October 29 after authorities tracked him following a high-speed chase and crash. – *Dallas Morning News* (See item [28](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *October 29, KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **17,000 gallons of crude oil spill near Smithville.** Crews worked to clean up a 17,000 gallon crude oil spill in Fayette County, Texas, after an 8-inch Koch Pipeline Company pipe leaked in Smithville. Officials are searching for the break in the pipeline and do not have an end date for cleanup and repairs.
Source: <http://www.kvue.com/news/Officials-cleaning-up-400-barrel-oil-spill-near-Smithville-229756751.html>

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *October 30, Associated Press* – (Nebraska) **Troubled Neb. nuke plant reaches repair milestone.** The operators of the Fort Calhoun nuclear power plant near Omaha began heating water in the plant's power generation system to test for leaks, part of a process of clearing the plant to resume operations after it shut down in April 2011.
Source: <http://www.lasvegassun.com/news/2013/oct/30/us-nuclear-safety-nebraska/>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *October 30, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **HeathCo recalls motion-activated outdoor lights due to electrical shock hazard.** HeathCo. LLC recalled around 210,000 Heath/Zenith Motion Activated Outdoor Lights due to an internal wiring issue that can energize the surface of the fixtures and pose an electrical shock hazard.
Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/HeathCo-Recalls-Motion-Activated-Outdoor-Lights/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

4. *October 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Researchers hack counterfeit money detector to accept paper as valid currency.** A researcher at IOActive discovered a way to modify the firmware of the Secureuro counterfeit money detector used frequently in Spain so that the device will accept ordinary paper as valid currency. The modifications can be done without hardware hacking and is aided by a lack of encryption in the firmware.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Researchers-Hack-Counterfeit-Money-Detector-to-Accept-Paper-as-Valid-Currency-395507.shtml>
5. *October 29, Reuters* – (International) **Dutch Rabobank fined \$1 billion over LIBOR scandal.** Dutch bank Rabobank was fined approximately \$1 billion by U.S., U.K., and Dutch regulators for manipulating the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) and another rate over a period of 6 years.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/10/29/us-rabobank-libor-idUSBRE99S0L520131029>
6. *October 29, Reuters* – (Georgia) **SEC sues investor over alleged Carter's insider-trading scheme.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filed a civil complaint against a former hedge fund investment consultant and analyst for allegedly being part of an insider trading scheme that led to around \$2.5 million in illegal profits and avoided losses after sharing information in advance of market news regarding clothing maker Carter's.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/10/30/us-carters-trading-complaint-idUSBRE99T00M20131030>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *October 30, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **3 killed in dust storm crashes on I-10 in Arizona.** A dust storm contributed to a multiple-fatality accident involving 19 vehicles in the eastbound lanes of Interstate 10 south of Casa Grande, Arizona, which killed 3 people, injured at least 12, and closed parts of westbound lanes for more than 5 hours October 29. The Arizona Department of Public Safety is investigating the crash.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/3-killed-in-dust-storm-crashes-on-i-10-in-arizona>
8. *October 29, Nashville Tennessean* – (Tennessee) **Taxiing plane discovered fatal crash at Nashville airport.** A fatal crash involving a small airplane at the Nashville International Airport killed the pilot and closed Runway 2 Center October 29. The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating the crash.
Source: <http://www.tennessean.com/article/20131029/NEWS/310300057/One-reported-dead-small-plane-crash-Nashville-airport>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

9. *October 28, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Firms initiate secondary recall in response to the expansion of Reser's Fine Foods recall.** Taylor Farms voluntarily issued a secondary recall October 28 on a limited number of deli products from several of their locations nationwide due to potential contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes* in response to Reser's Fine Food's October 26 expanded initial recall.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm372753.htm>
10. *October 28, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Georgia) **BI-LO issues recall of spinach antipasti salad in one store.** BI-LO announced October 28 a recall of the Taylor Farms Spinach Antipasti Salad sold at their Martnez, Georgia store due to potential *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination as an extension to the ongoing recall by Reser's Fine Foods Inc.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm372629.htm>
11. *October 25, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Kraft voluntarily recalls some varieties of Kraft and Polly-O string cheese and string cheese twists due to premature spoilage.** Kraft Foods Group voluntarily recalled approximately 735,000 cases of varieties of Kraft and Polly-O String Cheese and String Cheese Twists products due to spoilage potentially leading to discoloration
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm372320.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

12. *October 29, Marin Independent Journal* – (California) **100,000-gallon sewage spill reported in Kentfield.** A Ross Valley Sanitary District official reported an estimated 100,000 gallons of wastewater spilled near Tamalpais Creek October 28 after a separation occurred at a sewer pipe joint between a clay pipe and a plastic pipe. While the wastewater did not reach Corte Madera Creek, Marin County Emergency Health Services will continue testing the water for contamination.
Source: http://www.marinij.com/marinnews/ci_24412464/100-000-gallon-sewage-spill-reported-kentfield
13. *October 29, KOIN 12 Portland* – (Oregon) **Water main breaks, floods downtown.** A Portland Water Bureau spokesman reported a 100-year old, 24-inch cast-iron water main break October 29 caused significant flooding and surface damage, affecting traffic, flooding the basements of buildings and hotels, and knocking out power.
Source: <http://www.koin.com/news/water-main-breaks-significant-damage-downtown>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

14. *October 30, CNNMoney* – (National) **Health care site has another 'outage'.** State and federal officials announced the data center behind the national Affordable Care Act Web site suffered another outage October 29 blocking users from submitting new applications or searching for insurance plans. Officials asserted the site will be brought back online once maintenance is completed and once Verizon provides additional computing and storage abilities.

Source: <http://www.wcyb.com/news/health/affordable-care-site-has-another-outage/-/14591070/22703620/-/xwcbdoz/-/index.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

15. *October 30, KTRK 13 Houston* – (Texas) **Several Conroe ISD school buses go up in flames at bus barn.** Conroe Independent School District students will not face a delay after three school buses were destroyed and one was damaged October 30 while parked in a bus barn. Officials are investigating the cause of the fire.

Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/local&id=9304701>

16. *October 29, WVIT 30 New Britain* – (Connecticut) **2 injured in Plainfield crash involving cars, school bus.** An accident involving 2 cars and a school bus left 2 people injured October 29 in Plainfield. Police are investigating the crash.

Source: <http://www.nbcconnecticut.com/news/local/2-Injured-in-Plainfield-Crash-Involving-2-Cars-1-School-Bus-229765771.html>

17. *October 29, KBOI 2 Boise* – (Idaho) **Woman in custody for making fake school bomb threats.** Police have a suspect in custody in connection with making hoax bomb threats at several Caldwell area schools the week of October 21, prompting evacuations and the cancellation of classes.

Source: <http://www.kboi2.com/news/local/Caldwell-Vallivue-Jefferson-Washington-Bomb-Threat-229737261.html>

18. *October 29, Sacramento Bee* – (California) **Fire damages building on El Dorado County high school campus.** Cosmetology and dental programs at El Dorado Union High School District's Regional Occupational Program were cancelled October 29 after a fire damaged a cosmetology building, prompting a loss of electrical and data service to surrounding buildings.

Source: <http://blogs.sacbee.com/crime/archives/2013/10/fire-damages-building-on-el-dorado-county-high-school-campus.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

19. *October 30, WSB 750 AM/95.5 FM Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Nine inmates charged with rioting at Cobb Co. jail.** Authorities charged nine Cobb County, Georgia, jail inmates with rioting among other charges after they were accused of twice beating another inmate in October who was preparing to testify in court November 11.
Source: <http://www.wsbradio.com/news/news/local/nine-inmates-charged-rioting-cobb-co-jail/nbcS9/>
20. *October 29, KMOV 4 St. Louis* – (Missouri) **St. Charles officers warn of police impersonator after badge, gun stolen.** Missouri St. Charles County police officers have a suspect and continue to investigate after an officer's badge, gun, and personal items were stolen October 19 from a vehicle. Authorities urged the public to stay cautious regarding a potential police impersonator.
Source: <http://www.kmov.com/news/crime/St-Charles-officers-warn-of-police-impersonator-229769531.html>

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Information Technology Sector

21. *October 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Expert finds unrestricted file upload vulnerability in Twitter.** A researcher at Q-CERT identified and reported two vulnerabilities in Twitter that could have been leveraged to upload malicious files to a Twitter developer Web site and to redirect users to arbitrary Web sites. Twitter has since closed the reported vulnerabilities.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Expert-Finds-Unrestricted-File-Upload-Vulnerability-in-Twitter-Video-395604.shtml>
22. *October 30, Softpedia* – (International) **10 security fixes included in Firefox 25.** Mozilla released the newest version of its Firefox browser, Firefox 25, which includes fixes for 10 security issues, 5 of which were rated critical.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/10-Security-Fixes-Included-in-Firefox-25-395477.shtml>
23. *October 29, Threatpost* – (International) **New injection campaign peddling rogue software downloads.** Websense researchers reported that a mass injection campaign dubbed GWload has compromised at least 40,000 Web pages by tricking users into installing a fake version of VLC Media Player by claiming it is required to view content. Users who attempt to install the fake software then have several varieties of bloatware and other unwanted software installed on their systems.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/new-injection-campaign-peddling-rogue-software-downloads>
24. *October 29, CNET News* – (International) **MongoHQ scrambles to address major database hack.** Database hosting service MongoHQ reported that it was the victim of a security breach October 28 that compromised users' email addresses, hashed password

data, and other account information.

Source: http://news.cnet.com/8301-1009_3-57609938-83/mongohq-scrambles-to-address-major-database-hack/

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Communications Sector

25. *October 29, Chicago Tribune* – (National) **AT&T says it has resolved U-verse outage.** AT&T announced October 29 it resolved an outage of its Internet and phone U-verse service for an unreported number of affected customers after a software upgrade issue caused the disruption in service.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/breaking/chi-att-uverse-service-outage-20131029,0,5006084.story>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

26. *October 30, KPHO 5 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Buckeye PD: Apartments evacuated in barricade standoff.** A 6-hour standoff at the Cholla Ranch Apartments in Buckeye ended peacefully after a man carrying a weapon around the apartment complex October 29 barricaded himself in his apartment after firing on police. Parts of the complex were evacuated and area roadways closed during the standoff but reopened afterwards.

Source: <http://www.kpho.com/story/23824896/buckeye-pd-apartments-evacuated-in-barricade-standoff>

27. *October 30, Pacific News Center* – (Guam) **Construction work at Skinner Plaza suspended until other half of 50 pound Japanese “land bomb” is found.** Officials met October 30 to determine how to proceed after halting construction work at Skinner Plaza in Guam following the discovery of half of a 50 pound World War II Japanese land bomb. A U.S. Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal team removed the bomb from the Guam Museum construction site and advised on the suspension of work until the other half can be located and removed.

Source:

http://www.pacificnewscenter.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=39118:half-of-a-50-pound-japanese-qland-bombq-found-at-skinner-plaza-construction-site

28. *October 29, Dallas Morning News* – (Texas) **Suspect captured after series of five**

slayings in Terrell. A suspect in a string of five murders across multiple homes and a gas station/convenience store in Terrell was captured October 29 after authorities tracked him to a wooded area following a high-speed chase and crash. An investigation is ongoing.

Source: <http://www.dallasnews.com/news/20131028-suspect-in-series-of-terrell-slayings-captured.ece>

29. *October 29, WIS 10 Columbia*– (South Carolina) **Apartment fires ruled suspicious.** The Richland County Sheriff’s Department is investigating two October 28 fires at Ashton Apartments in Columbia that affected at least seven apartments and caused at least \$150,000 in estimated damages. Authorities have ruled the two fires as suspicious.

Source: <http://www.wistv.com/story/23812442/at-least-7-apartments-damaged-in-fire>

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Dams Sector

30. *October 29, Monroe Louisiana News* – (Louisiana) **Tensas Basin begins Columbia levee repair.** Tensas Basin Levee District official reported a \$1.6 million project began the week of October 28 to repair a 2,000-foot section of a levee on the Ouachita River that should be completed late November 2013.

Source: <http://www.thenewsstar.com/article/20131029/NEWS01/310290030>

31. *October 28, Associated Press; Doylestown Intelligencer* – (Pennsylvania) **Delaware Canal pump failure leads to a large fish kill.** Delaware Canal State Park officials reported a tripped breaker may be to blame for a pump’s failure which caused thousands of dead and dying fish to line the bottom of the Delaware Canal.

Source:

<http://www.poconorecord.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20131028/NEWS/131029758/-1/NEWS01>

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