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- Some card readers at 60 Chicago Transit Authority train stations failed for about 15 to 90 minutes due to a server malfunction that resulted in 15,000 free rides for commuters before the problem was fixed. – *Chicago Tribune* (See item **10**)

- Four Marines were killed during a routine sweep to make a range safe for future training exercises at California's Camp Pendleton while they were clearing unexploded ordnance. – *Associated Press* (See item **20**)

- A former student was arrested after he ambushed, shot, and wounded three students outside the Brashear High School in Pittsburgh. – *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* (See item **21**)

- Two teams competing in the PacSec 2013 Pwn2Own competition demonstrated methods to compromise security and steal personal information from popular smartphones. – *The Register* (See item **30**)

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Energy Sector

1. *November 13, Associated Press* – (South Carolina) **SCE&G closes Lowcountry power plant.** South Carolina Electric & Gas announced November 13 that its Canadys Station near Walterboro stopped generating electricity the week of November 4 in an effort to reduce emissions.
Source: http://www.thestate.com/2013/11/13/3095596/sceg-closes-lowcountry-power-plant.html

2. *November 13, WFPL 89.3 FM Louisville* – (Kentucky) **LG&E agrees to pay $113,000 for coal ash, odor violations at Cane Run Plant.** Louisville Gas and Electric will pay $113,250 and continue implementing a compliance plan at Kentucky's Cane Run Power Station in an agreement with the Air Pollution Control District for 10 instances where coal ash and odors allegedly left the plant's property.
Source: http://wfpl.org/post/lge-agrees-pay-113000-coal-ash-odor-violations-cane-run-plant

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. *November 14, Reuters* – (International) **Some spent fuel rods at Fukushima were damaged before 2011 disaster.** The operator of the damaged Fukushima nuclear power plant in Japan stated in a report that three spent fuel assemblies were damaged prior to the 2011 earthquake and tsunami that crippled the plant, and that the assemblies cannot be removed from the Unit 4 reactor using a large cask planned to be used in fuel removal operations.
Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/11/14/japan-fukushima-removal-idUSL4N0IZ0TR20131114

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *November 13, Associated Press* – (California) **3 hurt in Tesla factor hot metal spill in Calif.** Three employees of Tesla Motors were injured November 13 at the company's San Francisco Bay Area factory when an aluminum casting press failed and spilled hot metal.
Source: http://abcnews.go.com/Technology/wireStory/injured-tesla-factory-calif-20880798

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

5. *November 14, Krebs on Security* – (California) **Feds charge Calif. brothers in cyberheists.** Federal authorities arrested and charged two brothers in Fresno with allegedly stealing millions of dollars by stealing login credentials of brokerage accounts with Fidelity Investments, setting up fraudulent automated clearing house links between victim accounts and accounts they controlled, and then using prepaid debit cards from those accounts to purchase money orders that were deposited into other accounts for cash withdrawals.
Source: http://krebsonsecurity.com/2013/11/feds-charge-calif-brothers-in-cyberheists/

6. *November 14, Tampa Bay Business Journal* – (Florida) **FDIC lawsuit alleges 'high-risk gamble' by directors of failed Progress Bank.** The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) filed a lawsuit against three former directors of the failed Progress Bank of Florida seeking $6.3 million in damages, accusing the directors of gross negligence and breach of fiduciary duties. The bank's 2010 failure cost the FDIC's Deposit Insurance Fund $46.8 million.
Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/tampabay/blog/morning-edition/2013/11/fdic-lawsuit-alleges-high-risk.html?page=all

7. *November 13, Sioux City Journal* – (National) **Police: Storm Lake man had 350 fake credit, gift cards.** Police arrested a Storm Lake, Iowa man November 13 and charged him with allegedly running a nationwide credit card fraud scheme. A search of the man's residence yielded 350 fraudulent payment cards, a card re-encoder, and retail information from around the country.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/police-storm-lake-man-had-fake-credit-gift-cards/article_db705924-4d06-5584-90b0-e217632ffbdd.html

8. *November 13, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of New York* – (National) **Two indicted in $15 million investment fraud scheme that victimized National Hockey League players and Long Island investors.** Two men were arrested in Arizona and charged in New York City with allegedly running a $15 million investment scheme involving fraudulent schemes in several States that targeted National Hockey League players and investors in Long Island, New York.
Source: http://www.fbi.gov/newyork/press-releases/2013/two-indicted-in-15-million-investment-fraud-scheme-that-victimized-national-national-hockey-league-players-and-long-island-investors

9. *November 13, Reuters* – (New Jersey) **High school pals plead guilty in NJ insider trading scheme.** Two men in New Jersey pleaded guilty to their roles in an insider trading scheme that took place over 5 years and generated more than $1.7 million in illegal profits based. The men were the last of six men charged in November 2012 to plead guilty.
Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/11/13/crime-insidertrading-highschoolpals-plea-idUSL2N0IY1QW20131113

Transportation Systems Sector

10. *November 14, Chicago Tribune* – (Chicago) **Ventra outage hits 60 CTA stations, results in 15,000 free rides.** Some Ventra card readers at 60 Chicago Transit Authority train stations failed for about 15 to 90 minutes due to a back-office server malfunction that resulted in 15,000 free rides for commuters before the problem was fixed November 13.
Source: http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-ventra-outage-hits-60-cta-stations-results-in-15000-20131113,0,1001325.story

11. *November 13, WAFF 48 Huntsville* – (Alabama) **Hwy. 431 reopened after Albertville business fire.** A fire at the old Galloway Motors building in Albertville closed U.S. 431 traffic on northbound lanes for 3 hours and southbound lanes for 5 hours as emergency crews responded November 13. The cause of the fire is under investigation.
Source: http://www.waff.com/story/23962291/albertville-emergency-crews-on-scene-of-structure-fire

Food and Agriculture Sector

12. *November 13, Press of Atlantic City* – (New Jersey) **USDA issues disaster declaration for South Jersey farms, citing excessive summer rains.** The U.S. Department of Agriculture approved a disaster declaration for various counties in New Jersey that will give farmers access to emergency loans to recoup losses and rebuild operations after excessive amounts of rain, flooding and extreme weather affected summer crops.
Source: http://www.pressofatlanticcity.com/news/breaking/usda-issues-disaster-declaration-for-south-jersey-farms-citing-excessive/article_26f3ad2e-4ca1-11e3-bf67-0019bb2963f4.html

13. *November 13, KWTX 10 Waco* – (Texas) **Texas firm recalls raw poultry products.** Fran's Fryers of Milford, Texas, recalled about 250 pounds of raw poultry products November 13 that were produced without a Food Safety and Inspection Service inspection November 11.
Source: http://www.kwtx.com/news/health/headlines/Texas-Firm-Recalls-Raw-Poultry-Products-231792791.html

14. *November 13, Food Safety News* – (Michigan) **15 sick with Salmonella in Michigan.** Health officials reported a Salmonella outbreak in Muskegon County, Michigan, that sickened at least 15 people. Authorities are investigating the source of the outbreak.
Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/11/15-sick-with-salmonella-in-michigan/

15. *November 13, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **3 Fellers LLC issues an allergy alert for undeclared allergen (almonds) in chocolate cream pies.** 3 Fellers LLC voluntarily recalled 3 Fellers Chocolate Cream Pies November 13 as a precautionary measure because the product may contain undeclared almonds.
Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm374877.htm

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

16. *November 14, Associated Press* – (Kansas) **Kan. Ex-wastewater manager to plead guilty over pollution.** A former wastewater manager for Hays, Kansas, filed his intent to plead guilty November 13 to charges of making false statements about nitrogen levels in the Hays wastewater treatment plant's effluent and to filing false reports and lying to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency agents.
Source: http://www.seattlepi.com/news/science/article/Kan-ex-wastewater-manager-to-plead-over-pollution-4982352.php

17. *November 13, KTAL 6 Texarkana* – (Louisiana) **Shreveport fined $650,000 by EPA; agrees to $342 million sewer upgrade.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Department of Justice announced November 13 that the City of Shreveport agreed to spent around $342 million over 12 years to improve its sanitary sewer system and pay $650,000 in fines in response to illegal raw sewage discharges from the system.
Source: http://www.arklatexhomepage.com/story/shreveport-fined-650000-by-epa-agrees-to-342-million-sewer-upgrade/d/story/F_IFT-G4GE-y10tuylkaEA

18. *November 13, KTRE 9 Lufkin* – (Texas) **San Augustine to turn off water for repairs to the water main.** The City of San Augustine shut off water November 13 in order to make repairs to a 16-inch water main needed after a leak was discovered. Residents were advised to boil water until further notice.
Source: http://www.ktre.com/story/23957010/san-augustine-to-turn-off-water-for-repairs-to-the-water-main

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

19. *November 13, San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **Women charged in cancer center identity thefts.** Authorities charged two women for allegedly stealing mail and personal information from 15 patients at an Alta Bates Summit Medical Center breast

cancer center in Alameda County, and from more than 100 others in several Bay Area counties, that they collected through stolen mail, notebooks, and ledgers.
Source: http://blog.sfgate.com/crime/2013/11/13/women-charged-in-cancer-center-identity-thefts/

Government Facilities Sector

20. *November 14, Associated Press* – (California) **4 Marines die during safety sweep at Calif. base.** Four Marines were killed during a routine sweep to make a range safe for future training exercises at California's Camp Pendleton while they were clearing unexploded ordnance.
Source: http://news.msn.com/us/4-marines-die-during-safety-sweep-at-calif-base

21. *November 14, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **3 students shot outside Brashear High School.** A former Brashear High School student was arrested November 13 after he ambushed, shot, and wounded three students outside the Pittsburgh school in what officials believe was a drug-related incident.
Source: http://triblive.com/news/adminpage/5063971-74/brashear-police-avenue

22. *November 13, KOTV 6 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **3 teens injured when Jeep collides with school bus in Mayes County.** Three teenagers were injured after their car collided with an Adair High School bus November 13 in Mayes County.
Source: http://www.newson6.com/story/23962004/school-bus-collides-with-jeep-in-adair-county

23. *November 13, Indianapolis Star* – (Indiana) **Broken circuit causes call center outages at State agencies.** An AT&T data circuit outage caused a phone outage at 10 Indiana State agencies' call centers November 13. Crews were working to repair the circuit while calls were rerouted around the call centers.
Source: http://www.indystar.com/article/20131113/LOCAL18/311130057/Broken-circuit-causes-call-center-outages-state-agencies

24. *November 13, Albuquerque Journal* – (New Mexico) **Whooping cough boosters recommended after outbreak.** Health officials encouraged students and family members of La Cueva High School in Albuquerque to get a Tdap booster shot after an outbreak of pertussis left 30 sick from the high school.
Source: http://www.abqjournal.com/299952/news/whooping-cough-boosters-recommended-after-abq-outbreak.html

25. *November 13, Medford Mail Tribune* – (Oregon) **Explosive device detonates in front of Jackson County DA's office.** The Jackson County Circuit Court was closed for several hours November 13 after an improvised explosive device was placed in front of a vacant district attorney's office causing an explosion that damaged the building's interior. Authorities are investigating the incident.
Source:

http://www.mailtribune.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20131113/NEWS07/311130340

26. *November 12, Shippensburg News-Chronicle* – (Pennsylvania; North Carolina)
    Shippensburg merchants caught in NCIS web. Authorities charged the owners of
    Weekend Warrior military surplus store in Shippensburg after an investigation
    uncovered that they knowingly received a delivery of stolen military equipment from
    Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, worth $75,000 at their store.
    Source: http://shipnc.com/articles/2013/11/12/news/doc5282372d46076656827649.txt

27. *November 12, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Michigan) **U.S. Department of Labor's
    OSHA cites Selfridge Air National Guard Base for 8 violations including exposing
    workers to amputation hazards.** The Michigan National Guard-operated Selfridge
    Air National Guard Base in Harrison Township was cited with eight notices of unsafe
    or unhealthy working conditions, including one repeat amputation hazard violation, by
    the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration after
    an inspection.
    Source:
    https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEA
    SES&p_id=25074

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Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

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Information Technology Sector

28. *November 14, Help Net Security* – (International) **Sinowal and Zbot trojan
    collaborate in new attack.** Researchers at Trend Micro observed a variant of the
    ZeuS/Zbot trojan working in collaboration with a new Sinowal trojan to attempt to
    make ZeuS's job easier by disabling the Trusteer Rapport security software. The two
    trojans are dropped by the Andromeda backdoor attached to malicious emails.
    Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2626

29. *November 14, Softpedia* – (International) **MacRumors hacker says he will not leak
    the 860,000 passwords he stole.** The MacRumors forums were hacked and 860,000
    users' usernames, emails, and password hashes were compromised, MacRumors
    confirmed November 12. However, the hacker who took credit for the breach claimed
    that they would not reveal the information.
    Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/MacRumors-Hacker-Says-He-Will-Not-Leak-
    the-860-000-Passwords-He-Stole-400064.shtml

30. *November 14, The Register* – (International) **Pwn2Own crackers leave iOS and Samsung mobe security IN RUINS.** Two teams competing in the PacSec 2013 Pwn2Own competition demonstrated methods to compromise security and steal personal information from a Samsung Galaxy S4 running Android and an Apple device running iOS version 7.0.3 and iOS 6.1.4.
Source:
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/11/14/pwn2own_crackers_leave_ios_and_samsung_handsets_wide_open/

31. *November 14, Softpedia* – (International) **Cybercriminals use new Linux backdoor to steal information from companies.** Symantec researchers identified a cybercriminal operation that carried out an attack against a large hosting provider using a new Linux backdoor, dubbed Linux.Fokirtor that was able to gain access to usernames, passwords, emails, and possibly financial information. The backdoor hides inside server processes that could give the attack away and prompt security reviews.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Cybercriminals-Use-New-Linux-Backdoor-to-Steal-Information-from-Companies-400203.shtml

32. *November 14, Softpedia* – (International) **Remote code execution vulnerability fixed in BlackBerry Link.** BlackBerry closed remote code execution and local privilege elevation vulnerabilities in its BlackBerry Link for Windows and Mac OS in a recent software update.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Remote-Code-Execution-Vulnerability-Fixed-in-BlackBerry-Link-400167.shtml

33. *November 14, Washington Post* – (International) **LivingSocial back online after Web site outage.** An unspecified internal error caused LivingSocial's Web site and mobile app to be inoperable for around 2 days starting November 12. The site and app were returned to service November 14.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/capitalbusiness/livingsocial-outage-continues-into-second-day/2013/11/13/ac6266c2-4c78-11e3-be6b-d3d28122e6d4_story.html

34. *November 13, Softpedia* – (International) **At least 100,000 Instagram users fall victim to InstLike scam.** Symantec researchers found that at least 100,000 Instagram users may have fallen victim for a scam service called InstLike that promised 'likes' and followers in return for providing Instagram login credentials and for buying virtual coins. The app was available in Google's Play store and Apple's App Store for several months and was downloaded between 100,000 and 500,000 times in the former.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/At-Least-100-000-Instagram-Users-Fall-Victim-to-InstLike-Scam-399959.shtml

35. *November 13, SC Magazine* – (International) **Popular humor site hosted Nuclear Pack exploit kit.** Barracuda Labs researchers found that popular humor site Cracked.com was compromised as of November 10 in order to host the Nuclear Pack exploit kit. Exploits were then served to visitors through a malicious Javascript

targeting vulnerable versions of Java and Adobe Flash and PDF software.
Source: http://www.scmagazine.com//popular-humor-site-hosted-nuclear-pack-exploit-kit/article/320833/

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: http://www.it-isac.org

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Communications Sector

36. *November 14, Kansas City Star* – (Kansas; Missouri; Oklahoma) **Sprint: Service restored to disrupted markets.** The source of a Sprint service outage that knocked out service to the Internet, text message exchanges, and the ability to make calls in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Oklahoma City was identified and service restored after more than 5 hours November 14.
Source: http://www.kansascity.com/2013/11/14/4620837/sprint-network-down-in-kansas.html

37. *November 12, U.S. Department of Labor* – (New York) **US Labor Department reaches settlement agreement with Verizon New York Inc. to increase training, safeguards for field technicians.** The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration reached a settlement with Verizon New York Inc., that included a fine of $147,000 and requirements to provide enhanced electrical safety training and other safeguards for field technicians, stemming from citations issued in March 2012 in connection with a fatal electrocution of an employee in September 2011 in Brooklyn.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=25071

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Commercial Facilities Sector

38. *November 14, WJZ 13 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **2 dozen people evacuated after Bel Air fire damages 18 apartments.** A 3-alarm fire displaced two dozen people from their homes and left 18 apartments damaged at a complex in Harford County. One entire building was destroyed and two next to it were damaged.
Source: http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2013/11/14/2-dozen-people-evacuated-after-bel-air-fire-damages-18-apartments/

39. *November 13, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **Gas leak prompts evacuation at Buena Park Mall.** Buena Park Downtown mall was evacuate for about 2 hours November 13 due to a gas leak after a contractor struck and ruptured a natural gas line. Crews worked to repair the break.
Source: http://ktla.com/2013/11/13/report-of-gas-leak-prompts-evacuation-at-buena-park-mall/

For another story, see item **23**

Dams Sector

40. *November 12, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources* – (Pennsylvania) **Pennsylvania DCNR rules out Gunter Valley Dam rehabilitation in Franklin County.** The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) announced November 12 that the Gunter Valley Dam in Franklin County will be breached after an investigation found advanced deterioration and high costs for rehabilitation. The lake behind the dam has been drained since 2009 to assess the state of the dam.
Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2013/11/12/5904260/pennsylvania-dcnr-rules-out-gunter.html

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