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 front control arm corrosion issue that could lead to loss of control. New York Times (See
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Energy Sector

- November 22, KTVU 2 Oakland; San Francisco Bay City News (California) Power outage still impacting over 17,500 Bay Area residents. Pacific Gas and Electric Company crews worked to restore service to over 17,500 customers in the Bay Area who remained without power November 22 after strong winds knocked out service. Source: http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/local/power-outage-still-impacting-over-27000-bay-area-r/nb2Sn/
- 2. *November 21, Carlisle Sentinel* (Pennsylvania) **Thieves steal \$5,000 in copper from PP&L substation.** Police are searching for the individual who stole over \$5,000 in copper wire and lead from PP&L's Juniata substation in Perry County, Pennsylvania, November 20.

Source: http://cumberlink.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/thieves-steal-in-copper-from-pp-l-substation/article_07dae7d2-52ae-11e3-9bf8-001a4bcf887a.html

3. November 21, Glen Falls Post-Star – (New York) General Electric will close Fort Edward plant. General Electric Co., announced November 21 that they will close their electrical capacitor plant in Fort Edward no sooner than September 2014 as part of an effort to meet their environmental commitments to New York.

Source: http://poststar.com/news/local/general-electric-will-close-fort-edward-plant/article 26347214-52d3-11e3-898e-001a4bcf887a.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. November 21, Sacramento Bee – (California) California OKs rule to remove flame-fighting furniture chemicals. The State of California approved a new rule November 21 to curtail the presence of hazardous flame-retardant chemicals in furniture, requiring the furniture to be capable of withstanding smoldering fires. The rule takes effect January 2014 and becomes mandatory January 2015.

Source: http://blogs.sacbee.com/capitolalertlatest/2013/11/california-oks-rule-to-remove-flame-fighting-furniture-chemicals.html

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. November 22, New York Times – (National) Kia, Toyota, and Porsche issue recalls. Kia announced a recall of around 80,000 model year 2006-2012 Sedona vehicles in northeastern and midwestern States and Washington D.C. due to a front control arm corrosion issue that could lead to loss of control. Toyota and Porsche also issued smaller recalls for other issues.

Source: http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/22/automobiles/kia-toyota-and-porsche-issue-recalls.html

6. November 21, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission – (National) Cuisinart recalls food processors due to laceration hazard. Cuisinart announced a recall of about 25,000 7-cup food processors due to an issue that can cause the shredding/slicing disc to loosen, break the device's cover, and cause pieces of the cover to strike consumers.

Source: http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Cuisinart-Recalls-Food-Processors/

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

7. November 21, U-T San Diego – (California) Toxic smoke at shipyard fire sends 17 to hospitals. A HAZMAT team responded to a fire in a dust collector at BAE Systems shipyard in San Diego that exposed 17 workers to toxic smoke and prompted the evacuation of 58 people November 21.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2013/nov/21/fire-rescue-southwest-marine-\underline{barrio-logan/}}$

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Financial Services Sector

- 8. November 22, Oklahoma City Oklahoman (Oklahoma) Bethany man found guilty of securities fraud after new trial. A Bethany man was found guilty of securities fraud and money laundering for defrauding 83 investors of more than \$4.5 million over 3 years in a Ponzi scheme through his company, Global West Financial.

 Source: http://newsok.com/bethany-man-found-guilty-of-securities-fraud-after-new-trial/article/3907186
- 9. November 21, Philadelphia Business Journal (Pennsylvania) Philly man charged in \$20M mortgage fraud. A Philadelphia man was charged with conspiracy to commit loan and wire fraud for his alleged role in a \$20 million real estate fraud ring involving KREW Settlement Services. The man is the thirteenth defendant charged in connection to the case.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/news/2013/11/21/philly-man-charged-in-20m-mortgage.html

10. November 21, Marin Independent Journal – (California) Novato bank robbed in suspected 10th strike by hatted bandit. A bank robbery suspect tied to 9 robberies in Marin was believed to be the same man who robbed a Chase bank branch in Novato November 21, connecting him to a total of 10 robberies.

Source: http://www.marinij.com/crimebeat/ci_24574389/novato-bank-robbed-suspected-10th-strike-by-hatted

11. *November 21*, *Reuters* – (National) **SEC charges ex-Marvell worker in Galleon insider-trade scheme.** A former employee of Marvell Technology Group Ltd., agreed to pay \$60,000 and be barred from serving as an officer or director of public company to settle U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) charges on insider trading relating to the larger Galleon Group case. The SEC alleged that the man passed nonpublic information on to a former Galleon portfolio manager who then made illegal trades based on the information.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/11/21/us-sec-galleon-tipper-idUSBRE9AK18220131121

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Transportation Systems Sector

- 12. November 22, KOSA 7 Odessa (Texas) **Tx-Dot closes overpasses on loop 250 11/22/13.** Ice was reportedly the cause of multiple accidents on Loop 250, North Loop 338, and North 385 in Ector County and Midland, and closed the State Highway 191 overpass and the Big Spring/La Mesa overpass November 22.

 Source: http://www.cbs7kosa.com/news/details.asp?ID=51396
- 13. *November 22*, *WQAD 8 Moline* (Illinois) **Explosion reported near Davenport bus stop.** An electrical explosion at a Davenport bus stop reported to have happened in an above-ground secondary enclosure caused a 2-foot hole in the ground and left more than 60 MidAmerican Energy customers without power November 22. Source: http://wqad.com/2013/11/22/explosion-reported-near-davenport-bus-stop/
- 14. November 22, Effingham Herald (Georgia) Three dead in tanker crash, explosion. A fatal accident November 21 involving a semi-truck carrying gasoline that exploded after a collision with a car on Highway 17 in Effingham County killed at least three people and closed the highway between Midland and Blue Jay roads. The roads will remain closed until November 25 in order to fix major structural damage to the highway.

Source: http://beta.effinghamherald.net/section/1/article/23398/

15. *November 21, Associated Press* – (Maryland) **Metro contractor accused of stealing copper wire.** A Mechanicsville man worked for a Metro electrical contractor was

arrested and charged with felony theft for stealing more than \$10,000 worth of copper wire several times from Metro Transit facilities in Maryland between June and November.

Source: http://washington.cbslocal.com/2013/11/21/metro-contractor-accused-of-stealing-copper-wire/

16. November 21, Reuters – (Florida) Miami to begin port dredge in readiness for Panama Canal expansion. Miami officials announced November 21 the commencement of an 18-month, \$220 million project to dredge Miami harbor to 50 feet, which will allow it to handle larger ships that carry two or three times the load of standard freighters.

 ${\bf Source:} \ \underline{http://kdal610.com/news/articles/2013/nov/22/miami-to-begin-port-dredge-in-readiness-for-panama-canal-expansion/}$

17. November 21, WAFF 48 Huntsville – (Alabama) Suspicious package at Daikin plant determined to be pot. A suspicious package that was found on a rail car at the Daikin facility on Highway 20 in Decatur, originating from Mexico, prompted the evacuation of schools within a 5-mile radius, closure of the Decatur Public Library, and closure of Highway 20 and traffic from Mallard Fox Industrial Park to the Highway 31 river bridge before authorities gave an all-clear after inspecting the package and determining that it contained marijuana November 21.

Source: http://www.waff.com/story/24033286/suspicious-device-found-on-rail-car-in-decatur-schools-evacuated

18. November 21, WCHO 105.5FM Washington Court House – (Ohio) Wreck causes evacuation. A semi-truck carrying propane that overturned on US Route 62 in Green Township November 21 prompted the evacuation of residents within one-half mile of the crash and closed the intersection from US 62 and Miami Trace Road while the Ohio Department of Transportation cleared the scene November 21-22. Source:

 $\frac{\text{http://www.buckeyecountry105.com/pages/LocalNews.html?feed=226193\&article=11}}{848446}$

19. November 21, Associated Press – (Maine) Troopers say small airplane lands on interstate during rush hour outside Portland, Maine. A small single-engine Cessna 152 plane originating from Waterville flying to Portland experienced engine problems mid-flight and was forced to land on Maine Interstate 295 in Cumberland, causing southbound traffic to be reduced to one lane and delaying northbound traffic November 21.

Source:

 $\underline{http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/6ea86565e9f84c1baa9181042b1bcb10/US-Plane-Interstate/}$

20. November 21, WHTM 27 – (Pennsylvania) New Route 22 bridge fully opened over I-81 in Harrisburg. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation announced November 21 the opening of a two lane eastbound Route 22 bridge over Interstate 81

into Harrisburg that was built to replace the bridge damaged by a semi-truck fire in May.

Source: http://www.abc27.com/story/24036685/new-route-22-bridge-fully-opened-over-i-81-in-harrisburg

- 21. *November 21*, *Paducah Sun* (Illinois) **Brookport bridge reopening.** The Illinois State Police announced November 21 the reopening of U.S. 45 Brookport Bridge after it was closed following a tornado that struck Brookport November 17. Source: http://www.paducahsun.com/view/full_story_free/24096451/article-Brookport-bridge-reopening
- 22. November 20, Enumclaw Courier-Herald (Washington) Cayuse closed for the season; Chinook Pass reopened. The Washington State Department of Transportation and the National Park Service determined that State Route 123 Cayuse Pass will remain closed for the season due to harsh weather and hazardous conditions. Source: http://www.courierherald.com/news/232711821.html

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Food and Agriculture Sector

- 23. November 22, Food Safety News (Tennessee) Tennessee E. coli outbreak linked to raw milk dairy. Following an investigation, the Tennessee Department of Health determined November 21 that raw milk from McBee Dairy Farm near Knoxville was the source that sickened 9 children with E. coli contamination in Knox County. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/11/raw-milk-dairy-linked-to-e-colioutbreak-through-tests/
- 24. November 21, Associated Press (Hawaii) Maui signs pesticide disclosure deal with Monsanto. The City of Maui signed a pesticide disclosure agreement with Monsanto November 20 that requires the agricultural company to disclose what types of restricted-use pesticides it is using, how much, and how it is dealing with dust and soil erosion.

Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2013/11/21/5933070/maui-signs-pesticide-disclosure.html

25. November 21, Minnesota Public Radio – (National) Additional tainted diet supplements discovered. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration warned consumers of three weight loss products, Body Beauty 5 Days Slimming Coffee, 1 Day Diet, and Diet Master, found to be tainted with sibutramine, a controlled substance that was withdrawn from the market in October 2010 for safety reasons. Diet Master also contained phenolphthalein, an ingredient reclassified as "not generally recognized as safe and effective" in 1999.

Source: http://www.empr.com/additional-tainted-diet-supplements-discovered/article/322055/

26. November 21, Portland Oregonian – (Oregon) Oregon agriculture officials place restrictions on pesticides implicated in Wilsonville, Hillsboro bee die-offs. The Oregon Department of Agriculture placed restrictions on the use of two types of pesticides November 21, dinotefuran and imidacloprid, which were linked to mass bee deaths in Hillsboro and Wilsonville.

Source

http://www.oregonlive.com/politics/index.ssf/2013/11/oregon_agriculture_officials_p.h tml

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

27. November 21, KTVU 2 Oakland – (California) USGS announces that part of Calif. is sinking. U.S. Geological Survey scientists declared November 21 that 1,200 square miles of California are subsiding due to over pumping of ground water. Scientists believe that in some areas the ground sinks about 1 foot each year.

Source: http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/state-regional-govt-politics/usgs-announces-part-calif-sinknig/nb2HK/

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

- 28. November 22, KIRO 7 Seattle (Washington) Three-alarm fire at hospital forces patient evacuations. Portions of the Swedish Edmonds hospital in Washington were evacuated and several patients were transferred to nearby hospitals November 21 after a three-alarm electrical fire began in a basement electric room, cutting power to some computer systems and disrupting patient admissions.
 - $Source: \underline{http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/three-alarm-fire-hospital-forces-patient-evacuatio/nb2M3/}$
- 29. November 21, Associated Press (Florida) Coast Guard suspends jet crash search. The U.S. Coast Guard suspended its search November 21 for two people still missing after a Mexico-bound Learjet 35 crashed into the Atlantic Ocean off south Florida November 19 because there are no signs of survivors.

Source: http://www.wsvn.com/news/articles/local/21012277459492/coast-guard-suspends-jet-crash-search/

30. November 21, Associated Press – (Pennsylvania) No charges in Pa. VA hospital Legionnaires' case. Federal authorities announced November 21 that after a 9 month investigation, no criminal charges will be filed in connection with an outbreak of Legionnaires' disease that killed 5 patients and sickened 21 from water that was not properly treated at a Pittsburgh Veterans Affairs hospital.

Source: http://www.militarytimes.com/article/20131121/NEWS/311210035

Government Facilities Sector

31. *November 21*, *Navy Times* – (California) **Another Navy officer implicated in bribery scandal, sacked.** The Navy Expeditionary Combat Command announced November 21 that a sixth senior Navy officer was implicated November 16 in connection with an ongoing investigation of a bribery scheme where the head of Glenn Defense Marine Asia overcharged the Navy millions and bribed senior Navy officers to steer the ships where he could make the most profit.

Source: http://www.navytimes.com/article/20131121/NEWS/311210028/Another-Navy-officer-implicated-bribery-scandal-sacked

- 32. November 21, WFMJ 21 Youngstown (Ohio) Girard High School evacuated second day in a row, classes canceled Friday. Girard Junior Senior High School in Ohio was evacuated and cancelled classes for a second consecutive day on November 22 so crews could investigate the source of a sulfur-like odor that was detected November 21. Source: http://www.wfmj.com/story/24032023/girard-high-school-evacuated-second-day-in-a-row
- 33. November 21, WLS-TV 7 Chicago (Illinois) 2 Cicero schools evacuated, kids sent to hospitals after gas leak. Cicero East and Cicero West elementary schools in Illinois were closed November 21 after a gas leak that caused 2 teachers and 18 children to be transported to area hospitals after they fell ill. The leak was capped after a landscaping company accidentally struck a line while planting a tree near the school. Source: http://abclocal.go.com/wls/story?section=news/local&id=9334842
- 34. *November 21*, *Associated Press* (Oregon) **Man arrested in explosion at DA's office in Medford.** Medford Police arrested a suspect November 20 in connection with a November 13 attempted bombing of the district attorney's office in which a device exploded outside the building and blew out the windows.

 Source: http://www.registerguard.com/rg/news/local/30769222-75/medford-mcvay-burglary-george-ammunition.html.csp
- 35. November 21, WHIZ 18 Zanesville (Ohio) Muskingum University closed-bomb sweep finds nothing. A bomb threat prompted the evacuation and closure of Muskingum University campus and residence halls in New Concord November 21. Authorities issued an all clear once nothing suspicious was found and reopened the campus November 22.

Source: http://www.whiznews.com/content/news/local/2013/11/21/muskingum-university-closed-bomb-sweep-finds-nothing

36. November 21, Associated Press – (New Mexico) NM parole office in Albuquerque evacuated after pipe bombs found outside. The New Mexico probation and parole office was evacuated while the Albuquerque Police Department's bomb squad destroyed two pipe bombs that were found outside the building November 21. Source:

http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/23590c59530240fca8f2e60c30e07bd0/NM--Parole-Office-Evacuation

- 37. November 21, Kirkland Reporter (Washington) Kirkland's Lake Washington
 Institute of Technology closed due to power outage. A neighborhood power outage
 prompted the Lake Washington Institute of Technology in Kirkland to cancel classes
 for November 21 while Puget Sound Energy crews worked to restore service.
 Source: http://www.kirklandreporter.com/news/232836011.html#
- 38. November 21, Montana Standard (Montana) Washoe park getting \$1.5M rehabilitation beginning in spring. Montana's Washoe Park will undergo a \$1.5 million restoration, including updating the design and engineering of the Hefner's Dam site. The renovations are expected to be completed by fall 2014.

 Source: http://mtstandard.com/news/local/washoe-park-getting-m-rehabilitation-beginning-in-spring/article 1581b446-525f-11e3-9bda-0019bb2963f4.html
- 39. November 20, Long Island Newsday (New York) Sachem school informs students, parents of data breach. Sachem Central School District informed approximately 15,900 students and parents that some of the student's information was posted online in a data breach. The host sites were working to remove the improper posts while authorities investigate the incident.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.newsday.com/long-island/education/sachem-school-informs-\underline{students-parents-of-data-breach-1.6472521}$

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Emergency Services Sector

40. *November 21, Staten Island Advance* – (New York) **Firefighter accused of stealing from Staten Island, Queens firehouses admits to the theft.** A former New York City Fire Department firefighter pleaded guilty to making fake 9-1-1 calls in order to steal cash and valuables from Staten Island and Queens firehouses while colleagues responded to the emergency calls.

Source:

http://www.silive.com/news/index.ssf/2013/11/long island man charged with s.html

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Information Technology Sector

41. *November 22*, *Softpedia* – (International) **Number of digitally signed malware** samples increases by 50%. McAfee released its threat report for the third quarter of

2013 and found that attacks against the Android platform increased by over 30 percent, that digitally-signed malware increased by more than 50 percent, and that Bitcoin mining malware use is increasing, among other findings.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Number-of-Digitally-Signed-Malware-Samples-Increases-by-50-402749.shtml

42. *November* 22, *The Register* – (International) **Mystery traffic redirection attack pulls net traffic through Belarus, Iceland.** Renesys found that large amounts of Internet traffic are being diverted through several countries in order to perform man-in-the-middle attacks against financial services institutions, governments, and voice-over-IP (VoIP) providers.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/11/22/net_traffic_redirection_attacks/

43. *November 22, Softpedia* – (International) **Drupal 7.24 and 6.29 released to fix several vulnerabilities.** The developers of Drupal released new versions of Drupal 7 and Drupal 6 that close several security vulnerabilities. Users were advised to update their installations as soon as possible

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Drupal-7-24-and-6-29-Released-to-Fix-Several-Vulnerabilities-402654.shtml

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

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Communications Sector

44. *November 21, IDG News Service* – (Georgia) **Company settles charges it billed mobile users for unwanted services.** Atlanta company Wise Media, its CEO, and its owner agreed to a settlement with the U.S. Federal Trade Commission to resolve allegations that they authorized \$10 million worth of charges to mobile users without their consent. The two settlements include a ban against the two individuals from charging consumers without their permission and an almost \$11 million judgement. Source: http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/112113-company-settles-charges-it-billed-276229.html

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Commercial Facilities Sector

45. November 22, Longmont Times-Call – (Colorado) Fire damages apartments on South Coffman in Longmont. A November 21 fire that displaced 25 residents and destroyed the entire building at a six-unit Longmont apartment complex was being

investigated by authorities to determine the cause.

Source: http://www.timescall.com/longmont-local-news/ci_24574123/fire-strikes-apartments-south-coffman-longmont

46. *November 21, KNBC 4 Los Angeles* – (California) **Firefighters injured in clothing manufacturing building fire.** Authorities are investigating the cause of a structure fire at a clothing manufacturing building in Los Angeles November 21 that left four firefighters injured.

Source: http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/Firefighter-Injured-in-Structure-Fire-in-South-Los-Angeles-232814551.html

47. *November 21, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Fire at Fresno apartment complex displaces 22.** A November 21 fire at the Golden Garden apartments in Fresno displaced 22 residents and caused \$100,000 in damage after the blaze was ignited by oil left on a hot stove.

Source: http://www.fresnobee.com/2013/11/21/3623788/fire-reported-at-fresnoapartment.html

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Dams Sector

- 48. November 22, Dredging Today (Louisiana) USA: Corps award floodwall contract on Westbank of Plaquemines Parish. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers awarded a contract to build a floodwall in Plaquemines Parish from English Turn Bend to Belle Chasse on an existing Mississippi River levee. The new construction will reduce flooding risks and is expected to be completed by December 2015.

 Source: http://www.dredgingtoday.com/2013/11/22/usa-corps-awards-floodwall-contract-on-westbank-of-plaquemines-parish/
- 49. *November 21, Westfield News* (Massachusetts) **New gates protect lakes from canal overflow.** Officials replaced a deteriorated wooden gate made of stop logs at Canal Brook in Southwick with a metal gate in order to help protect the lakes from flooding.

 ${\color{red} \textbf{Source:}} \ \underline{\textbf{http://www.wwlp.com/news/massachusetts/new-gates-protect-lakes-from-canal-overflow}$

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