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- Data recovered from two event recorders showed that a Metro-North train that derailed in New York City, which killed 4 passengers and injured 63 others, was speeding at 82 miles per hour when the accident occurred. – *Associated Press* (See item **8**)

- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration shut down Alfred Louie Inc., operations following the discovery of Listeria in sprouts processed and distributed at the facility. – *KERO 23 Bakersfield* (See item **16**)

- A gas leak at Princeton University prompted the evacuation of about 500 people and 11 university buildings for more than 2 hours. – *WCBS 2 New York City* (See item **26**)

- Microsoft stated that a recently discovered zero-day vulnerability affecting Windows XP and Windows Server 2003 was being actively exploited.– *SC Magazine* (See item **33**)

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Energy Sector

1. *December 2, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **ND health department monitors spill near McGregor.** Petro-Hunt reported a 200-barrel spill at an oil well near McGregor that released flowback water. The North Dakota Department of Health is monitoring the cleanup efforts.
Source: http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/420017/

2. *December 2, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **Valve leak causes oil, saltwater spill near Maxbass.** The North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources reported that 50 barrels of oil and 300 barrels of saltwater were released November 29 at the Denbury Onshore-owned Fossum B3 water injection well in Bottineau County. A valve leak at the water injection well caused the spill that was contained to the well site and recovered.
Source: http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/420014/group/homepage/

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. *December 3, Associated Press* – (New York) **Nine Mile Point 2 nuclear reactor shuts down with pump problems.** The Unit 2 reactor at the Nine Mile Point nuclear power plant in Scriba shut down December 2 after water circulation pumps shut off while being changed to a lower speed.
Source:http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/e33e13b9ffab452aa82c40723cf6d1fa/NY--Nine-Mile-Shutdown

4. *December 1, South Jersey Times* – (New Jersey) **Hope Creek nuclear plant goes offline after moisture problem in main turbine.** The Hope Creek nuclear power plant in Lower Alloways Creek Township shut down December 1 due to high levels of moisture in the steam powering the plant's turbine.
Source:http://www.nj.com/salem/index.ssf/2013/12/hope_creek_nuclear_plant_goes_offline_after_moisture_problem_in_main_turbine.html#incart_river

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *December 3, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Crown Boiler recalls home heating boilers due to carbon monoxide hazard.** Crown Boiler

announced a recall of about 2,200 gas-fired hot water boilers due to the potential for the air pressure switch to fail to shut down the burners in the event of a blockage, emitting hazardous amounts of carbon monoxide.
Source: http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Crown-Boiler-Recalls-Home-Heating-Boilers/

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

6. *December 2, Las Vegas Review-Journal* – (Nevada) **Company owners plead guilty in scheme to clear credit histories.** Five people, out of 10 charged, pleaded guilty to their role in running a Las Vegas-based credit score forgery scheme that used fake police documents and other methods to falsely improve the credit scores of customers.
Source: http://www.reviewjournal.com/news/company-owners-plead-guilty-scheme-clear-credit-histories

7. *December 2, WNYT 13 Albany* – (New York) **Fifth arrest made after credit card skimming in Glenmont.** A New York City man was charged along with four employees of the Golden Town Buffet in Glenmont with allegedly running a $55,000 payment card skimming scheme at the restaurant.
Source: http://wnyt.com/article/stories/S3232957.shtml?cat=300

For another story, see item **30**

Transportation Systems Sector

8. *December 3, Associated Press; Middletown Times Herald-Record* – (New York) **Train speed was 82 mph prior to wreck.** The National Transportation Safety Board investigators reported that the Metro-North Hudson line commuter train that derailed in the Bronx area of New York City December 1, killing 4 passengers and injuring 63 others, was speeding at 82 miles per hour when the accident occurred. The preliminary findings are based on data recovered from the train's two event recorders.
Source:
http://www.recordonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20131203/NEWS/312030333

9. *December 3, AviationPros.com* – (Kansas) **FAA proposes $304,000 civil penalty against Great Lakes Aviation.** The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration proposed a

$304,000 civil penalty against Great Lakes Aviation of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for allegedly conducting 19 flights with aircraft in Kansas where frost, snow, or ice could have adhered to the planes and was not in compliance with Federal Aviation Regulations.
Source: http://www.aviationpros.com/news/11258373/the-federal-aviation-administration-faa-is-proposing-a-304000-civil-penalty-against-great-lakes-aviation-of-cheyenne-wyo

10. *December 2, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **BNSF line reopens after empty oil tankers derail.** BNSF Railway reopened its line near Minot December 2 following an accident involving a semi-truck that caused nine empty oil tanker cars to derail December 1.
Source: http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/420015/

11. *December 2, Boise Idaho Statesman* – (Idaho) **Search for missing airplane in Valley County ends for the day.** Authorities searched for a single-engine plane that was headed to Butte, Montana, with five people on-board that went missing near the Johnson Creek Airstrip in Yellow Pine after reporting engine trouble December 1.
Source: http://www.idahostatesman.com/2013/12/02/2904446/small-airplane-went-missing-over.html

12. *December 2, Hawaii News Now* – (Hawaii) **Kauai landslide shuts down road, causes power and water outages.** Two landslides in Waimea caused large boulders, trees, and mud to fall along Menehune Road, prompting its closure, while crews worked to clear the roadway of the debris December 2.
Source: http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/24114859/kauai-landslide-shuts-down-major-road-causes-power-and-water-outages

13. *December 2, Dallas Business Journal* – (Texas) **FAA proposes $325K penalty for Southwest over plane's maintenance.** The Federal Aviation Administration proposed a $325,000 civil penalty against Dallas-based Southwest Airlines for allegedly operating a Boeing 717 airplane August 29, 2011 that had an improperly installed switch that was in violation of Federal Aviation Regulations.
Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/dallas/news/2013/12/02/faa-proposes-325k-penalty-for.html

14. *December 2, KIRO 7 Seattle* – (Washington) **De-icer causes crashes, closure of West Seattle Bridge.** Multiple accidents believed to be caused by a de-icing mixture that was placed on the roads caused the closure of West Seattle Bridge and eastbound and westbound lanes of the Alaskan Way Viaduct December 2.
Source: http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/west-seattle-bridge-closed-collisions/nb84R/

Food and Agriculture Sector

15. *December 2, Food Safety News* – (National) **Missouri meat processor recalls beef and pork products for possible E. coli.** Cloud's Meats, Inc., of Carthage, Missouri, voluntarily recalled 1,450 pounds of meat products after the Missouri Department of Agriculture's Meat and Poultry Inspection Program's November 14 sample tests came up positive for E. coli.
Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/12/missouri-meat-company-recalls-beef-and-pork-products-for-possible-e-coli/

16. *December 2, KERO 23 Bakersfield* – (California) **Alfred Louie, Bakersfield soybean sprout company, shut down by FDA.** Alfred Louie Inc., of Bakersfield was told to shut down operations by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration following the April discovery of Listeria in sprouts processed and distributed at the facility.
Source: http://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/alfred-louie-bakersfield-soybean-sprout-company-shut-down-by-fda-120213

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. *December 2, Salina Journal* – (Kansas) **Former Hays wastewater treatment plant superintendent fined.** The City of Hays's former wastewater treatment plant superintendent pleaded guilty to one misdemeanor count of negligent discharge of a pollutant, a violation of the Clean Water Act. He was sentenced to one year federal probation and a $2,500 fine.
Source: http://www.salina.com/news/wastewater12-2-13

18. *December 2, Hawaii News Now* – (Hawaii) **Water main break closes lanes on Dillingham Boulevard.** A 12-inch water main break in Kalihi December 2 at the intersection of Dillingham Boulevard and Kohou closed streets between Kokea and Kohou as repairs were expected to continue through December 3.
Source: http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/24117046/traffic-alert-water-main-break-closes-lanes-on-dillingham-boulevard

19. *December 2, Syracuse Post Standard* – (New York) **Ithaca officials want to know who poured massive amount of chemicals into public sanitary sewer system**. Authorities in Ithaca reported that a significant amount of chemicals were dumped into the city's sanitary sewer system, killing microorganisms used at the Ithaca Area Wastewater Treatment Facility to clean water discharged into Cayuga Lake. Authorities have yet to determine the source and if the act was intentional or accidental.
Source: http://www.syracuse.com/news/index.ssf/2013/12/ithaca_officials_want_to_know_who_poured_large_volume_of_chemicals_into_public_s.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

20. *December 3, WGHP 8 High Point* – (North Carolina) **Yadkin Co. school bus overturns, 12 injured.** A Yadkin County school bus overturned near Yadkinville December 3 leaving 11 people injured and transported to area hospitals.
Source: http://myfox8.com/2013/12/03/yadkin-co-school-bus-wrecks-with-children-on-board/

21. *December 3, Lompoc Record* – (California) **Fourth case of meningitis reported at UC Santa Barbara.** The University of California, Santa Barbara expanded their program to provide antibiotics to more than 500 students who were identified as having had close contact with three students who contracted meningococcal disease after a fourth case within a month was confirmed by the university.
Source: http://www.lompocrecord.com/news/local/fourth-case-of-meningitis-reported-at-uc-santa-barbara/article_3d0644f2-5bef-11e3-b3ff-0019bb2963f4.html

22. *December 2, Hanford Sentinel* – (California) **Internet post sparks police lockdown at four Hanford high schools.** Four high schools in Hanford, California, were locked down for 2 hours December 2 after a threat was posted on a social media Web site. Authorities lifted the lockdown after searching all four schools and deeming them safe.
Source: http://www.hanfordsentinel.com/news/local/full-story-internet-post-sparks-police-lockdown-at-four-hanford/article_9431ffe2-5bb2-11e3-b3ff-001a4bcf887a.html

23. *December 2, Washington Post* – (Virginia) **Fairfax chemical spill causes school evacuation, sends two staffers to hospital.** Two staff members were transported to a hospital December 2 after a hydrochloric acid spill at South Lakes High School in Reston forced two wings of the school to shut down for 3 hours before officials deemed the situation resolved.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/fairfax-chemical-spill-causes-school-evacuation-sends-two-staffers-to-hospital/

24. *December 2, Sioux City Journal* – (Iowa) **Remsen-Union classes resume Tuesday after bogus bomb threat.** Classes were cancelled at Remsen-Union Community School in Iowa December 2 after a staff member reported a possible bomb threat that prompted an evacuation for several hours as law enforcement searched the campus and eventually deemed it safe.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/remsen-union-classes-resume-tuesday-after-bogus-bomb-threat/

25. *December 2, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (New Jersey) **N.J. college campus shut down after bomb threat.** Atlantic Cape Community College in southern New Jersey

cancelled classes and shut down its campus December 2 after a phoned bomb threat. Classes were scheduled to resume December 3.
Source: http://www.philly.com/philly/news/new_jersey/NJ_college_campus_shut_down_after_bomb_threat.html

26. *December 2, Associated Press; WCBS 2 New York City* – (New Jersey) **Gas leak prompts evacuation at Princeton University.** Eleven Princeton University buildings were evacuated for more than 2 hours December 2 due to a gas leak after a backhoe struck a gas line near the McCosh Health Center.
Source: http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2013/12/02/gas-leak-prompts-evacuation-at-princeton-university/

27. *December 2, Jackson Clarion-Ledger* – (Mississippi) **5 injured in Madison County school bus accident.** A Velma Jackson High School bus and a car collided December 2 in Madison County, Mississippi, leaving 5 people injured.
Source: http://www.clarionledger.com/article/20131202/NEWS/131202003/5-injured-Madison-County-school-bus-accident

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Nothing to report

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Information Technology Sector

28. *December 3, Softpedia* – (International) **Flaw in Android 4.3 can be exploited to remove device locks with rogue apps.** Researchers at Curesec identified a vulnerability in Android 4.3 that can be exploited using a rogue app to disable a device's security features such as PINs and passwords. The researchers produced a proof-of-concept app demonstrating the issue.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Flaw-in-Android-4-3-Can-Be-Exploited-to-Remove-Device-Locks-with-Rogue-Apps-405536.shtml

29. *December 3, Help Net Security* – (International) **Huge quantity of Bitcoins stolen from Sheep Marketplace.** The administrators of the Sheep Marketplace underweb market reported to their users that a vendor allegedly broke into the market and stole 5,400 Bitcoins.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16037

30. *December 3, Softpedia* – (International) **706 domains used to sell counterfeit items seized by international law enforcement.** U.S., European Union, and Hong Kong authorities seized a total of 706 domain names used to advertise and sell counterfeit

goods.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/706-Domains-Used-to-Sell-Counterfeit-Items-Seized-by-International-Law-Enforcement-405611.shtml

31. *December 3, Threatpost* – (International) **Acoustical mesh network used to infect air-gapped computers.** Researchers published a paper demonstrating how acoustic devices such as speakers and microphones can be used to send data between computers that are 'air-gapped' and not connected to the Internet or a network.
Source: http://threatpost.com/acoustical-mesh-network-used-to-infect-air-gapped-computers/103079

32. *December 3, Dark Reading* – (International) **Study: 340,000 new malicious websites detected in past 30 days.** A study conducted by Commtouch found that the number of malicious Web sites is growing quickly, with an average of 11,500 new threats identified each day. Malware sites made up the majority of malicious sites, followed by phishing and spam sites.
Source: http://www.darkreading.com/study-340000-new-malicious-websites-dete/240164387

33. *December 2, SC Magazine* – (International) **Windows XP zero-day under active attack.** Microsoft stated that a recently discovered zero-day vulnerability affecting Windows XP and Windows Server 2003 has been observed being exploited in targeted attacks. The vulnerability can allow privilege escalation, kernel mode code execution, and administrator account creation.
Source: http://www.scmagazine.com/windows-xp-zero-day-under-active-attack/article/323303/

34. *December 2, Help Net Security* – (International) **Legitimate apps bundled up with secret Bitcoin miner.** Malwarebytes researchers identified a Bitcoin miner added to Mutual Public's YourFreeProxy software that can drain users' system resources and strain hardware.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2639

35. *December 2, SC Magazine* – (International) **Popular Bitcoin forum targeted in DNS and DDoS attack.** The administrators of the BitcoinTalk forum advised their users to avoid logging in for a time December 2 after the site was hit by domain name system (DNS) redirection and distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks.
Source: http://www.scmagazine.com//popular-bitcoin-forum-targeted-in-dns-and-ddos-attack/article/323311/

Internet Alert Dashboard

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

36. *December 3, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Attic fire in Denver apartment building forces dozens to evacuate.** An electrical fire in a mechanical room was likely the cause of a fire at the Valley Park apartments in Denver December 3 that forced around 70 residents to evacuate the building. Residents were displaced and had to find temporary housing due to water and electricity being shut off in the building.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/breakingnews/ci_24643848/attic-fire-denver-apartment-building-forces-dozens-evacuate

37. *December 3, Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Tests confirm norovirus as cause of Vegas outbreak.** Southern Nevada Health District officials confirmed norovirus was behind an outbreak at a youth football tournament at the Rio casino in Las Vegas that sickened more than 90 people.
Source: http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/tests-confirm-norovirus-vegas-outbreak-21074216

38. *December 2, CBS 2 Los Angeles* – (California) **Bomb threat cleared after evacuations orders at Long Beach Walmart**. A Walmart at the City Place Shopping Center in Long Beach received a bomb threat December 2 that prompted police to evacuate the store for over 2 hours.
Source: http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2013/12/02/bomb-threat-cleared-after-evacuations-ordered-at-long-beach-walmart/

Dams Sector

39. *December 3, Baton Rouge Advocate* – (Louisiana) **Floodgates planned to slow storm surge from Vermilion Bay.** The Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District began design and permitting for a planned flood gate on the Delcambre Canal, to work in conjunction with a planned Bayou Tigre floodgate approved by the Vermillion Parish Police Jury.
Source: http://theadvocate.com/home/7692247-125/floodgates-planned-to-slow-storm

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