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- A man suspected of robbing or attempting to rob three banks in three States, and who allegedly shot and killed a police officer in Tupelo, Mississippi, was shot and killed by police following a robbery in Phoenix December 28. – *Reuters* (See item [4](#))
- Eight people were arrested by authorities in Spain for allegedly participating in a \$45 million cybercrime scheme that made fraudulent ATM withdrawals in the U.S., Spain, and 21 other countries. – *Softpedia* (See item [5](#))
- Target confirmed December 27 that the attackers who compromised their systems and stole payment card information also obtained encrypted PIN data for debit cards. – *Associated Press* (See item [6](#))
- A sewage leak from a wastewater treatment plant in Seymour, Connecticut, spilled about 150,000 gallons of raw sewage into the Naugatuck River before it was contained December 27. – *WNPR 90.5 FM Meriden* (See item [19](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *December 27, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana; Mississippi) **Goodrich Petroleum reports problems with key Tuscaloosa Marine Shale well.** Houston-based Goodrich Petroleum Corp. stated December 26 that test results for the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale well in Amite County, Mississippi, will be delayed until 2014 as the company works to unclog the well. The well was near completion and started to produce oil and gas when it became clogged with debris during the drill process.
Source:
http://www.nola.com/business/index.ssf/2013/12/goodrich_petroleum_reports_pro.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *December 27, SoMdNews.com* – (Maryland) **Minor fire safety violations found at CCNPP.** Constellation Energy Nuclear Group identified one low to moderate significance fire safety violation at its Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant in Lusby during an inspection between October 21 and November 8. The company undertook action to correct the violation and one other minor violation.
Source:
<http://www.somdnews.com/article/20131227/NEWS/131229462/1057/section/somdrss&template=southernMaryland>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *December 30, Car Connection* – (National) **2011-2012 Volvo S60 recalled for oil-pressure problem.** Volvo announced a recall of 30,929 model year 2011 and 2012 S60 vehicles equipped with five-cylinder engines due to an issue that could prevent the driver from being alerted when oil pressure is low.
Source: http://www.thecarconnection.com/news/1089384_2011-2012-volvo-s60-recalled-for-oil-pressure-problem

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

4. *December 30, Reuters*– (Arizona; Georgia; Mississippi) **Slain Phoenix bank robber was alleged cop killer who threatened U.S. President.** A man suspected of robbing or attempting to rob three banks in Atlanta; Tupelo, Mississippi; and Phoenix was shot and killed by police following the Phoenix robbery December 28. The man allegedly shot and killed a police officer during the Tupelo robbery December 23 and had previously served time in prison for making threats against the U.S. President.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/12/30/us-usa-police-mississippi-idUSBRE9BR07320131230>
5. *December 30, Softpedia* – (International) **8 people arrested in Spain for role in \$45M/ €33M cybercriminal scheme.** Eight people were arrested by authorities in Spain for allegedly compromising the Spain cell of a \$45 million cybercrime scheme that used compromised credit cards issued in Oman and the United Arab Emirates to make fraudulent ATM withdrawals in the U.S., Spain, and 21 other countries.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/8-People-Arrested-in-Spain-for-Role-in-45M-33M-Cybercriminal-Scheme-412696.shtml>
6. *December 27, Associated Press* – (National) **Target: Debit PIN data stolen in Black Friday weekend credit breach.** Target confirmed December 27 that the attackers who compromised their systems and stole payment card information also obtained encrypted PIN data for debit cards included in the breach.
Source: http://www.northjersey.com/news/Target_.html
7. *December 27, WBZ 4 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **Popular Boston restaurant group reports credit card data theft.** Boston-based restaurant group Briar Group reported December 30 that cybercriminals breached its systems sometime in October or November and obtained access to payment card data.
Source: <http://boston.cbslocal.com/2013/12/27/popular-boston-restaurant-group-reports-credit-card-data-theft/>
8. *December 27, Florida Times-Union* – (Florida) **Jacksonville insurance salesman pleads guilty to Ponzi scheme.** A Jacksonville insurance salesman pleaded guilty December 27 to running a Ponzi scheme through a shell company called Abaco Securities International, which defrauded over 50 investors of almost \$5 million over 15 years.
Source: <http://members.jacksonville.com/news/crime/2013-12-27/story/jacksonville-insurance-salesman-pleads-guilty-ponzi-scheme>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *December 30, WBRC 6 Birmingham* – (Alabama) **Overtuned 18-wheeler closes down I-59 North in Fairfield.** Officials closed the northbound lanes of Interstate 20/59 in Fairfield for several hours December 29 after semi-truck carrying chocolate milk overturned, causing a minor fuel spill.
Source: <http://www.myfoxal.com/story/24322474/overtuned-18-wheeler-closes-down-i-59-north-in-fairfield>
10. *December 30, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **Falling ice chunks keep Penobscot Narrows Bridge closed Monday morning.** The Maine Department of Transportation closed the Penobscot Narrows Bridge in Verona Island December 29 after falling ice from the bridge's cables damaged several cars. Officials are considering how to remove the remaining ice from the bridge, which will remain closed until it is determined safe for travel.
Source: <https://bangordailynews.com/2013/12/30/news/hancock/falling-ice-chunks-keep-penobscot-narrows-bridge-closed-monday-morning/>
11. *December 30, Anniston Star* – (National) **Local Amtrak services canceled in January, February.** Amtrak announced that passenger service on two lines through Anniston, Alabama, will be canceled for multiple days in January and February 2014 due to seasonal track work. Service will halt at 10 stations throughout several States.
Source: <http://annistonstar.com/bookmark/24302429-Local-Amtrak-services-canceled-in-January-February>
12. *December 28, WJW 8 Cleveland* – (Ohio) **OSHP: 'Following too close' cause of I-90 crash.** Ohio officials are investigating two accidents that closed a portion of I-90 in Lake County, Ohio, for 6 hours December 27-December 28 involving four semi-trucks and other vehicles.
Source: <http://fox8.com/2013/12/28/oshp-following-too-close-cause-of-i-90-crash/>
13. *December 28, West Virginia MetroNews* – (West Virginia) **Norfolk Southern reopens tracks in McDowell.** Norfolk Southern repaired approximately 700 feet of railroad track December 28 that was damaged after 16 railcars derailed in McDowell County, West Virginia, December 27 and suspended rail traffic in both directions. HAZMAT crews contained liquid asphalt that spilled into Elkhorn Creek after a tanker car ruptured.
Source: <http://wvmetronews.com/2013/12/28/train-derailment-in-mcdowell-county/>
14. *December 27, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **L.A. tour bus company ordered to halt service due to safety concerns.** The Federal Motor Carrier Administration ordered the Los Angeles-based bus company It's Good Promotion to cease operations December 26 due to widespread safety problems that compromise employee and public safety. The investigation revealed the company did not properly screen its drivers for drug and alcohol use and the company allowed vehicles and unsafe buses on the road despite safety defects.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/la-me-1228-tour-bus-20131228,0,7607612.story>

15. *December 27, Atlanta Journal-Constitution* – (Georgia) **MARTA police uncover bogus Breeze card scheme.** Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) police arrested 7 suspects in connection with an ongoing investigation into the illegal sale of over 400 counterfeit Breeze Cards December 10. The suspects allegedly compromised the Breeze card security features to make and sell the counterfeit cards. Source: <http://www.ajc.com/news/news/local/marta-police-uncover-bogus-breeze-card-scheme/ncW3p/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *December 29, KENS 5 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Hazmat crews respond to S.A. produce plant after fumes make workers sick, SAFD says.** Over 200 employees from the Fresh From Texas produce plant in San Antonio were evacuated and were sent home from the plant after chlorine fumes were detected originating from a cleaning solution. Source: <http://www.kens5.com/news/local/Hazmat-crews-respond-to-SA-produce-plant-after-fumes-make-workers-sick-SAFD-says-237895441.html>
17. *December 29, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Fire destroys slaughterhouse at five-generation-old, family-run Blood Farm in Groton.** A 4-alarm fire destroyed a two-story slaughterhouse facility in Groton, Massachusetts, December 29. The cause of the fire that left the facility a total loss is under investigation. Source: <http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2013/12/29/fire-destroys-slaughterhouse-five-generation-old-family-run-blood-farm-groton/bHVPfnmg9U49fZypa4TE0J/story.html>
18. *December 28, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Maryland; Ohio; Pennsylvania) **Giant Eagle recalls candy because of possible peanut allergen.** Giant Eagle recalled packages of Candy Place Chocolate Santas due to an undeclared peanut allergen December 28. The affected products were sold in Maryland, Ohio, and Pennsylvania Giant Eagle supermarkets. Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/local/region/2013/12/28/Giant-Eagle-recalls-candy-because-of-possible-peanut-allergen/stories/>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *December 27, WNPR 90.5 FM Meriden* – (Connecticut) **Sewage spill along the Naugatuck River is contained.** A sewage leak from the Veolia Environment North America wastewater treatment plant in Seymour, Connecticut, spilled about 150,000 gallons of raw sewage December 25 into the Naugatuck River before it was contained

December 27.

Source: <http://wnpr.org/post/sewage-spill-along-naugatuck-river-contained>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. *December 30, Associated Press* – (South Carolina) **Laptop with data of SC insurance pool customers stolen.** The South Carolina Health Insurance Pool notified 3,432 members that their personal information, including Social Security numbers, were on a password-protected laptop that was stolen from an independent auditor's car October 16.

Source: <http://www.wbtw.com/story/24326085/laptop-with-data-of-sc-insurance-pool-customers-stolen>

21. *December 27, South Jersey Times* – (New Jersey) **Inspira: No patient information on stolen computer.** Officials from Inspira Medical Center Vineland in New Jersey reported that a December 23 theft of a computer from the hospital's radiology department did not contain patient information. Authorities continue to investigate the incident.

Source:

http://www.nj.com/cumberland/index.ssf/2013/12/inspira_no_patient_information_on_stolen_computer.html

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Government Facilities Sector

22. *December 30, Watertown Daily Times* – (New York) **Higley Flow State Park closed due to ice damage.** Damage from an ice storm forced the New York Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation to close Higley Flow State Park and its entire ski trails indefinitely while they assess and clean up the damage.

Source: <http://www.watertowndailytimes.com/article/20131230/NEWS09/712309916>

23. *December 29, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Colorado notifies 1,918 of Medicaid records breach.** Federal authorities are investigating after Colorado Medicaid notified 1,918 people of a security breach involving a private contractor employee who sent the recipient's information to a personal email account. The employee was terminated and the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing said December 27 that the information may have been meant for the employee's personal business use.

Source: <http://denver.cbslocal.com/2013/12/29/colorado-notifies-1918-of-medicaid-records-breach/>

24. *December 28, Biloxi Sun Herald* – (Mississippi) **Three sailors plead guilty in Navy travel scheme in Gulfport.** Three U.S. Navy workers pleaded guilty to conspiring to defraud the U.S. Department of Defense in a travel-voucher scheme from October 2006 to August 2011 following an investigation by authorities in Gulfport. At least five other

Navy workers were previously indicted in the plot to make false claims for illegal payments.

Source: <http://www.sunherald.com/2013/12/28/5221157/three-plead-guilty-in-probe-of.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

25. *December 27, WTSP 10 St. Petersburg* – (Florida) **Two Hernando deputies accused of stealing money.** A deputy and a sergeant from the Hernando County Sheriff's Office in Florida are being investigated for stealing money from the department. The deputy is accused of taking about \$14,000 during his role as treasurer for the area's Fraternal Order of Police, and the sergeant is accused of using money intended for vice operations for personal use.

Source: <http://www.wtsp.com/news/local/article/350344/8/Two-Hernando-deputies-accused-of-stealing-money>

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Information Technology Sector

26. *December 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Vulnerabilities in SD cards can be exploited for MTM attacks.** Researchers presenting at the Chaos Communication Congress reported that they found vulnerabilities in Secure Digital (SD) memory cards that could be used to perform man-in-the-middle (MitM) attacks or to gain access to integrated microcontrollers.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Vulnerabilities-in-SD-Cards-Can-Be-Exploited-for-MITM-Attacks-412672.shtml>

27. *December 27, Softpedia* – (International) **FeedBurner.com page set up to serve JavaScript trojan.** Researchers at Zscaler found that a FeedBurner page is being abused in an effort to redirect users to a suspicious Web site using a JavaScript trojan that contains an iFrame.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/FeedBurner-com-Page-Set-Up-to-Serve-JavaScript-Trojan-412273.shtml>

28. *December 27, Dark Reading* – (International) **Researchers reveal Snapchat security issues.** Researchers at Gibson Security published details and proof-of-concept code highlighting a vulnerability in Snapchat's "Find My Friends" feature that could be automated to search by phone number and compile a database of Snapchat profiles that could be used for various malicious purposes.

Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/vulnerability/researchers-reveal-snapchat-security-iss/240165041>

29. *December 27, Softpedia* – (International) **Cybercriminals abuse Network Time Protocol for DDOS attacks.** Researchers at Symantec found that distributed denial of

service (DDoS) attacks have been launched using Network Time Protocol (NTP) reflection, with a peak of 15,000 IP addresses being observed in DDoS attacks December 16.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Cybercriminals-Abuse-Network-Time-Protocol-for-DDOS-Attacks-412215.shtml>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Commercial Facilities Sector

30. *December 29, Palm Beach Post*– (Florida) **Bomb scare in Riviera Beach forces evacuation of marina, leads to arrest.** The Riviera Beach Marina in Palm Beach was evacuated for several hours December 29 after a man claimed to have a bomb in a nearby vehicle. Vessels were prevented from entering the marina for several hours.
Source: <http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/breaking-news/bomb-scare-in-riviera-beach-forces-evacuation-of-m/ncXt3/>
31. *December 29, WTOP 103.5 FM Washington, D.C.* – (Washington, D.C.) **Wheaton mall fire attributed to grease build-up.** The Westfield Wheaton mall in Washington, D.C. was evacuated for around 3 hours December 28 after a kitchen fire broke out at the Crisp and Juicy restaurant due to grease build up in ducts over the cooking area.
Source: <http://www.wtop.com/52/3532383/Fire-forces-Maryland-mall-evacuation>
32. *December 29, Sentinel Source* – (New Hampshire) **9 injured at Rindge store; refrigerant likely to blame.** The Market Basket grocery store in Rindge was evacuated and nine employees taken to a hospital December 29 after air quality problems were created by a leaky 30-pound refrigerant cylinder.
Source: http://www.sentinelsource.com/news/local/hazardous-air-quality-evacuates-rindge-store-taken-to-hospital/article_e7d7c98c-c517-5d89-8565-259720c15dde.html
33. *December 29, WEWS 5 Cleveland* – (Ohio) **Cleveland hotel evacuated because of carbon monoxide.** Guests at a Wyndham Hotel in Cleveland were evacuated for over 5 hours December 28 after carbon monoxide leaked from the building's boilers, sending 18 to the hospital and making 20 others sick.

Source: <http://www.newsnet5.com/news/local-news/cleveland-metro/cleveland-hotel-evacuated-because-of-carbon-monoxide>

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