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Energy Sector

1. *January 2, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **Regulators OK pipelines for new ND diesel refinery.** The North Dakota Public Service Commission approved two pipeline projects December 30 totaling \$19 million that will carry petroleum byproducts from a new diesel refinery near Dickinson to a nearby rail hub and help reduce truck traffic on State Highway 22.
Source: <http://www.prairiebizmag.com/event/article/id/17284/>
2. *December 31, Houston Chronicle* – (Texas) **2 injured at La Porte pipeline facility where fire burned for four hours.** Two contractors were injured in a December 31 fire at the Enterprise Products Partners-owned Morgan's Point facility in La Porte. The barge loading facility remains offline while authorities investigate the cause of the fire.
Source: <http://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/2-injured-at-La-Porte-pipeline-facility-where-5104540.php?cmpid=htx>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

3. *December 31, Rapid City Journal* – (Montana) **Fuel leak led to August crash of Ellsworth B-1B in Montana, Air Force report says.** A report by the Air Combat Command Accident Investigation Board concluded that a mechanical malfunction which created a fuel leak caused the crash of an Ellsworth Air Force Base B-1B bomber during an August 2013 training exercise near Broadus, Montana. The aircraft was destroyed, while its four crew members were ejected with non-life threatening injuries.
Source: <http://rapidcityjournal.com/news/local/fuel-leak-led-to-august-crash-of->

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Financial Services Sector

4. *January 2, Long Island Newsday* – (New York) **Cops: 3 charged \$107G with fake credit cards.** Nassau County police arrested three men January 1 for allegedly using fraudulent credit cards to make almost \$107,000 in purchases at a Bloomingdale's store between December 12 and January 1.
Source: <http://www.newsday.com/long-island/nassau/cops-3-charged-107g-with-fake-credit-cards-1.6711979>
5. *January 1, ABC News; Associated Press* – (Georgia; Florida) **'Dead' banker arrested in \$21 million fraud charges.** A man wanted on charges of defrauding investors of \$21 million who attempted to fake his death in 2012 in Florida was arrested January 1 in Glynn County, Georgia, when he was identified during an unrelated traffic stop.
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/dead-banker-arrested-21-million-fraud-charges/story?id=21391431>
6. *December 31, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Denver bank robber hauls oxygen tank, dubbed "the 02 Bandit."** Police and the FBI are searching for a bank robbery suspect dubbed the "02 Bandit" responsible for three bank robberies in Denver between December 7 and December 30.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_24824146/denver-bank-robber-hauls-oxygen-tank-dubbed-o2
7. *December 31, Gothamist* – (New York; California) **'Wichcraft admits credit card security breach at all NYC locations.** Sandwich restaurant 'Wichcraft reported December 31 that payment card data from its locations in New York City and San Francisco was compromised between August 11 and October 2.
Source: <http://gothamist.com/2013/12/31/wichcraft.php>

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Transportation Systems Sector

8. *January 2, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Tractor trailer crash prompts state police to close southbound lanes of Interstate 91 in Longmeadow.** Southbound lanes of Interstate 91 near Longmeadow were shut down for several hours January 2 after a semi-truck crashed into a guardrail.
Source: http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2014/01/tractor_trailer_crash_prompts.html
9. *January 2, WZVN 7 Naples* – (Florida) **Crash involving panther shuts down I-75 overnight.** Interstate 75 near the Immokalee Road exit was shut down for several hours

January 2 due to a chain reaction accident involving an animal, two cars, and a semi-truck. Five people were injured and taken to a hospital.

Source: <http://www.abc-7.com/story/24345218/crash-involving-panther-shuts-down-i-75-overnight>

10. *January 2, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana) **I-10 eastbound reopens at Highway 90 split; I-610 reopens at I-10.** Part of Interstate 610 in New Orleans was closed for about 2 hours January 2 due to a traffic accident. A portion of Interstate 10 was also briefly closed due to another accident.
Source: <http://www.nola.com/traffic/index.ssf/2014/01/i-10-eastbound-reopens-at-high.html>
11. *January 2, Watertown Daily Times* – (New York) **Man killed in Adams hazmat accident.** Emergency crews closed Route 11 in Lorraine, New York, for 5 hours January 1 due to a hazardous materials incident at Berry Bros. Lumber Co. A worker at the facility died from exposure to the chemicals and HAZMAT crews worked through the night to decontaminate the site.
Source: <http://www.watertowndailytimes.com/article/20140102/NEWS07/701029819>
12. *January 2, Associated Press* – (National) **Fierce winter storm bearing down on northeast US.** Around 1,400 flights were cancelled nationwide as a winter storm moved across the northeast January 2. Some schools in affected areas were pre-emptively closed for January 2 and January 3.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/2014s-first-big-storm-bears-down-on-northeast-us>
13. *January 2, KWBE 1450 AM Beatrice*– (Kansas) **Northern Kansas plane crash injures two.** A single-engine Cessna aircraft flipped upon landing at the Concordia, Kansas airport. The pilot and one of three passengers were taken to a hospital.
Source: <http://www.kwbe.com/news/2014/01/02/kutt-local-news/northern-kansas-plane-crash-injures-two/>
14. *January 1, WATE 6 Knoxville* – (Tennessee) **Car crash closes part of Chapman Hwy. overnight.** A portion of Chapman Highway in Knoxville was shut down for several hours January 1 following an accident that sent one person to a hospital and knocked down power lines.
Source: <http://www.wate.com/story/24340711/accidents-closes-part-of-chapman-hwy-overnight>
15. *January 1, Associated Press* – (Alabama) **Small plane crash in residential area in Alabaster.** A single-engine Bellanca aircraft crashed January 1 in a residential area of Alabaster, with the pilot sent to a hospital. The Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board are investigating the cause.
Source: <http://www.tuscaloosanews.com/article/20140101/NEWS/140109965/1007?Title=Small-plane-crashes-in-residential-area-in-Alabaster->

Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *January 1, Black Mountain News* – (North Carolina) **Asheville fire crews respond to chemical spill.** A ruptured line caused up to 100 gallons of sodium hydroxide chlorine to spill at the Milkco Inc. dairy processing plant in Asheville January 1. Officials closed a nearby road for more than 2 hours while HAZMAT crews cleaned the spill.
Source: <http://www.blackmountainnews.com/article/20140101/NEWS01/301010068/Asheville-fire-crews-respond-to-chemical-spill>
17. *January 1, Reuters* – (National) **Campbell recalls 300 cases of Prego sauce.** Campbell Soup Co. recalled approximately 300 cases of its Prego Traditional Italian sauce due to risk of spoilage, though no illnesses have been reported in connection with the recalled product.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/sns-rt-us-campbell-recall-20140101,0,2700795.story>
18. *December 31, KOLO 8 Reno* – (International) **The Cultured Kitchen recalls non-dairy Cashew Cheese products.** The Cultured Kitchen voluntarily recalled all flavors of its non-dairy cashew cheese product due to the possible risk of contamination with Salmonella. The recall was initiated after it was suspected that raw materials used in Southeast Asia, where the cashews are sourced, may have been tainted with Salmonella.
Source: <http://www.kolotv.com/home/headlines/The-Cultured-Kitchen-Recalls-Non-Dairy-Cashew-Cheese-Products-238313911.html>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *January 2, Topeka Capital-Journal* – (Kansas) **City of Topeka distributes contaminated water to multiple rural districts.** The Kansas Department of Health and Environment notified three rural water districts that receive water from the city of Topeka that levels of haloacetic acids were higher than State limits. The City of Topeka stated January 2 that they are seeking capital improvements to reduce the levels of the disinfectant byproduct.
Source: <http://cjonline.com/news/2014-01-02/city-topeka-distributes-contaminated-water-multiple-rural-districts>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. *January 1, WNBC 4 New York City* – (New York) **40 patients moved after fire at Queens hospital: FDNY.** A January 1 fire at St. Johns Episcopal Hospital in New York prompted the evacuation of 40 patients while firefighters brought the blaze under control and ventilated the area.

Source: <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Patients-Moved-Fire-Rockaways-Queens-238334651.html>

21. *December 31, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **Car hits CVS store in Rockville.** A CVS in Rockville, Maryland, will remain closed until repairs are made after a car crashed into the store December 31 and damaged the building.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/news/article/287851/158/Car-hits-CVS-store-in-Rockville>
22. *December 31, U-T San Diego* – (California) **Fire causes \$200K damage to clinic.** Firefighters responded to a December 31 fire at a medical clinic in the El Cajon Square complex that caused about \$200,000 in damage. Authorities believe the cause of the fire may have been electrical.
Source: <http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2013/dec/31/el-cajon-medical-clinic-fire/>

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Government Facilities Sector

23. *December 31, Associated Press; KTVK 3 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Man accused of using fake ID to gain access to AFB.** Authorities arrested a Mexican national who was in the U.S. illegally for allegedly using fake identification to get a security clearance at the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson in order to work for a construction company. The investigation was prompted by a December 26 traffic stop when a sheriff's deputy found the man had a felony warrant for his arrest out of Texas.
Source: <http://www.azfamily.com/news/Man-accused-of-using-fake-ID-to-gain-access-to-AFB-238318141.html>
24. *December 31, Associated Press* – (Alabama) **Ala. school to reopen after evacuation, tests.** Hokes Bluff Middle School in Etowah County will reopen January 3 after tests were inconclusive in determining what caused students to suffer from respiratory issues December 12 when dozens of students were evacuated from the gym and taken to an area hospital.
Source: <http://www.newstimes.com/news/article/Ala-school-to-reopen-after-evacuation-tests-5104900.php>

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Emergency Services Sector

25. *December 31, Worcester Telegram & Gazette* – (Massachusetts) **Former Northboro police officer ordered to repay \$25,000 theft from union.** A former Northboro police officer pleaded guilty December 30 to stealing over \$25,000 from the Northboro Police Patrolman's Union between December 2009 and March 2013 while he served as the

union's president. The former officer was ordered to pay \$25,355 in restitution.
Source: <http://www.telegram.com/article/20131231/NEWS/312319867/1116>

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Information Technology Sector

26. *January 2, Help Net Security* – (International) **4.6M Snapchat users' info compromised in breach.** Hackers created and published a partially-redacted list of 4.6 million Snapchat usernames and phone numbers utilizing a vulnerability disclosed the week of December 23 that was dismissed by Snapchat as theoretical. The vulnerability allows an attacker to look up an unlimited number of phone numbers and see if the number's owner has a Snapchat account.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16152>

27. *January 2, The Register* – (International) **Skype's Twitter account, blog hacked to spread anti-Microsoft messages.** Attackers claiming association with the Syrian Electronic Army hacktivist group took control of Skype's Twitter account and official blog for several hours January 1 and used them to publish posts and tweets before Skype regained control of their platforms.

Source:

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/01/02/skype_social_media_hacked_to_spread_antimicrosoft_messages/

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Commercial Facilities Sector

28. *January 2, Dallas Morning News* – (Texas) **About 75 residents displaced after fire destroys Everman apartments Thursday morning.** Twenty-four apartment units were destroyed and 75 residents displaced after a fire broke out at the Oakwood Terrace Apartments in Everman, Texas, January 2.

Source: <http://thescoopblog.dallasnews.com/2014/01/about-75-residents-displaced-after-fire-destroys-everman-apartments-thursday-morning.html/>

29. *January 1, Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **Fire engulfs Minneapolis apartments after report of explosion; 14 injured, no fatalities.** An explosion and fire at a Minneapolis building with several apartments December 31 sent 14 people to hospitals, leaving 6 in critical condition. No fatalities were reported, but a collapsed roof made it too dangerous for firefighters to search for residents who may still be inside the building.
Source: <http://www.startribune.com/local/238356841.html>
30. *January 1, San Bernardino Sun* – (California) **Suspicious five-alarm fire guts Calif. bowling alley.** Authorities are investigating a five-alarm fire that engulfed an abandoned bowling alley in San Bernardino December 31.
Source: <http://www.firehouse.com/news/11287782/san-bernadino-bowling-alley-goes-up-in-flames>
31. *January 1, St. Paul Pioneer Press* – (Minnesota) **Fire destroys restaurant, main lodge at Horse & Hunt Club in Prior Lake.** Authorities are investigating a fire that destroyed the Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club in Prior Lake December 31. Business operations housed in the facility were moved to a new building and outdoor activities were suspended until at least January 2.
Source: http://www.twincities.com/localnews/ci_24823057/fire-burning-at-horse-hunt-club-prior-lake
32. *January 1, Savannah Morning News* – (Georgia) **Four fires set at Pooler hotel ruled arsons, suspects sought.** Police ruled a series of fires December 30-31 at the Ramada Inn in Pooler, Georgia, as arson after the suspect set four fires throughout the hotel.
Source: <http://savannahnow.com/crime/2013-12-31/four-fires-set-pooler-hotel-ruled-arsons-suspects-sought>
33. *December 31, KFOR 4 Oklahoma City* – (Oklahoma) **Oklahoma City firefighters battle 4-alarm condo fire near Quail Springs Mall.** A four-alarm fire devastated the Quail Springs Condominiums in Oklahoma City December 31, forcing the evacuation of the building and leaving at least 16 residents displaced.
Source: <http://kfor.com/2013/12/31/oklahoma-city-firefighters-battle-condo-fire/>

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