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- Schools, government offices, and most roads in six outlying counties north of Mobile, Alabama, remained closed January 30 after a severe winter storm left people stranded on highways or involved in automobile accidents. – *Mobile Press-Register* (See item [24](#))
- A 4-alarm fire broke out January 30 at a strip mall in Elizabeth, New Jersey, destroying eight stores and prompting officials to order the evacuation and demolition of surrounding stores and a church. – *WNBC 4 New York City* (See item [33](#))
- A fire destroyed the Geraghty Street Building in Fairbanks, Alaska, which contained apartment units, a second-hand furniture store, and offices January 29, and left several people injured while displacing more than 50 residents. – *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner* (See item [34](#))
- One person was injured and 40 residents were displaced in a January 29 fire at the Turner Plaza Apartments in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, which caused an estimated \$1.25 million in damage at the complex. – *New Orleans Times-Picayune* (See item [37](#))

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Energy Sector

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

1. *January 29, Southern Maryland Newspapers* – (Maryland) **Calvert Cliffs nuclear reactors back online, connected to grid.** Both reactors at the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant returned to service over the weekend of January 25 after being shut down January 21 when an electrical bus was tripped during an unplanned shutdown.
Source: <http://www.somdnews.com/article/20140129/NEWS/140129185/1074/calvert-cliffs-nuclear-reactors-back-online-connected-to-grid>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *January 30, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (International) **Gree expands dehumidifier recall to include GE brand dehumidifiers due to serious fire and burn hazards.** Gree Electric Appliances expanded a recall of certain models of dehumidifiers to include around 352,700 units with the GE brand name sold in the U.S. and Canada due to the potential for the units to overheat, smoke, and catch fire.
Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Gree-Expands-Dehumidifier-Recall-to-Include-GE-Brand-Dehumidifiers/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

3. *January 30, KGW 8 Portland* – (Oregon) **3 arrested in Beaverton for ID theft ring.** Three individuals were arrested in Beaverton January 26 after their car was stopped on suspicion of shoplifting and were found in possession of 100 counterfeit credit cards as

well as thousands of dollars' worth of gift cards and stolen property.

Source: <http://www.kgw.com/news/3-arrested-in-Beaverton-for-ID-theft-ring-242625221.html>

4. *January 29, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **U.S. regulator accuses NJ mortgage lender PHH of kickback scheme.** The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau announced charges January 29 against Mount Laurel-based mortgage lender PHH Corp., and several of its subsidiaries for allegedly collecting hundreds of millions of dollars through a 15-year kickback scheme by referring business to mortgage insurance companies in exchange for payments, causing customers to pay higher borrowing costs.
Source: http://www.nj.com/business/index.ssf/2014/01/cfpb_accuses_nj_mortgage_lender_phh_of_mortgage_insurance_kickback_scheme.html
5. *January 29, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Illinois* – (Illinois) **U.S. indicts corporate audit director on securities fraud charges for allegedly profiting \$286,000 from insider trading.** A certified public accountant in Chicago was indicted on federal fraud charges for allegedly engaging in insider trading and making over \$286,000 in illicit profits in 2012. The accountant was the director of corporate audit for Allscripts Healthcare Solutions Inc., and used nonpublic information he obtained in that position.
Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/chicago/press-releases/2014/u.s.-indicts-corporate-audit-director-on-securities-fraud-charges-for-allegedly-profiting-286-000-from-insider-trading>
6. *January 29, Reuters* – (National) **Target: Hackers attacked with stolen credentials.** Target Corp., reported January 29 that the attackers who perpetrated a massive breach of customer payment card data used stolen vendor credentials to access the company's systems.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/target-hackers-attacked-with-stolen-credentials>
7. *January 29, SC Magazine* – (National) **Neiman Marcus hack involved two pieces of malware.** Neiman Marcus reported that two pieces of malware were used to compromise its systems in a recent data breach, with the first inserted before July 2013 which allowed the payment card scraping malware to be uploaded later in the year.
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/neiman-marcus-hack-involved-two-pieces-of-malware/article/331669/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

8. *January 30, Florida Department of Transportation* – (Florida) **Road closures due to weather.** The Florida Department of Transportation closed Interstate 10 to traffic in several counties in the panhandle area of the State January 30 due to inclement weather conditions.

Source: <http://www.wctv.tv/news/floridanews/headlines/Road-Closures-242562941.html>

9. *January 30, WLEX 18 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Tanker spills 8,000 gallons of fuel on US-27, driver flown to hospital.** A semi-truck carrying gasoline overturned January 30 on US-27 in Pulaski County and spilled about 8,000 gallons of fuel, closing the highway between 4 to 6 hours. The driver was airlifted to a hospital.
Source: <http://www.lex18.com/news/tanker-spills-8-000-gallons-of-fuel-on-us-27-driver-flown-to-hospital>
10. *January 29, WBZ 4 Boston* – (Delaware) **Boston-bound flight makes an emergency landing in Delaware.** A Boston-bound United Express flight that left from Virginia's Dulles Airport was forced to make an emergency landing in Delaware January 29 due to an onboard oxygen generator malfunctioning.
Source: <http://boston.cbslocal.com/2014/01/29/boston-bound-flight-makes-emergency-landing-in-delaware/>
11. *January 29, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana) **Louisiana winter weather road closures: Updated list from State Police on Wednesday.** Winter weather across Louisiana caused State Police to close several roadways January 29, including interstates, State routes, and local roads.
Source: http://www.nola.com/traffic/baton-rouge/index.ssf/2014/01/louisiana_winter_weather_road.html

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Food and Agriculture Sector

12. *January 30, Park Rapids Enterprise* – (Minnesota) **Damage from potato warehouse fire near Perham estimated at \$4.5 million.** Perham fire officials announced January 29 that a fire at R.D. Offutt Co. potato warehouse January 21 caused an estimated \$4.5 million in damage.
Source: <http://www.parkrapidsenterprise.com/content/damage-potato-warehouse-fire-near-perham-estimated-45-million-0>
13. *January 29, KDKA 2 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Firefighters battle 3 Beaver Co. fires.** A barn in Brighton Township, Pennsylvania, caught fire January 29, killing 4 horses and 50 sheep.
Source: <http://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2014/01/29/three-fires-in-under-2-hours/>
14. *January 29, Food Poisoning Bulletin* – (Wyoming) **After fatal accident, FDA oversees Western Sugar recall.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced that Western Sugar Cooperative issued a recall of its beet pulp and tailings products after a worker was killed in an accident involving equipment that feeds water to beets at its Lovell, Wyoming manufacturing facility January 4.

Source: <http://foodpoisoningbulletin.com/2014/after-fatal-accident-fda-oversees-western-sugar-recall/>

15. *January 28, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Gano Excel USA Inc. announces recall of C'Real Spirulina.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced January 28 that Gano Excel USA, Inc., of Irwindale recalled all C'Real Spirulina instant cereal products due to undeclared wheat and soy.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm383638.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

16. *January 30, WYMT 57 Hazard/WSAZ 3 Huntington* – (Kentucky) **Water outage in Ashland spreads, affects more people.** Ashland city officials stated that several setbacks to the repair of a major water main break January 27 increased the number of customers without water to 7,000 and threatened to spread outages to outlying communities relying on their water supply.
Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/wymt/home/headlines/Water-outage-affecting-thousands-in-Boyd-County-242363291.html>
17. *January 29, Newark Advocate* – (New Jersey) **\$53K contract OKs dredging to remove water plant blockage.** The city of Newark approved a \$53,000 contract to dredge the Licking River in order to clean out silt blocking water intake screens at the city's water treatment plant after heavy rains pushed a sandbar into the screen area. Work was expected to begin February 3.
Source: http://www.newarkadvocate.com/article/20140129/NEWS01/301290061?nclick_check=1
18. *January 29, KDKA 2 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Water main break affecting 2 hospitals, Duquesne University.** Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) repaired a break in a 16-inch water main that caused low water pressure for two local hospitals and Duquesne University's campus January 29.
Source: <http://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2014/01/29/water-main-break-affecting-2-hospitals-duquesne-university/>
19. *January 29, Southern California City News Service* – (California) **Contamination alert issued for Imperial Beach coastline after sewage leak.** The San Diego County Department of Environmental Health issued a contamination alert along several miles of shoreline near the U.S.-Mexico border January 29 after a pipeline break at a reservoir overwhelmed sanitation diversion pumps and fouled water flowing out of the Tijuana River.
Source: <http://www.kpbs.org/news/2014/jan/29/contamination-alert-issued-imperial-beach-coastlin/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

20. *January 29, WWJ 62 Detroit* – (Michigan) **One person arrested in New Center bomb scare, evacuation.** Medical offices, several businesses, and a preschool in the New Center One building in Detroit were evacuated January 29 for more than 3 hours due to a bomb threat. One person was arrested in connection to the threat and police cleared the scene after a search determined there were no explosive devices in the building. Source: <http://detroit.cbslocal.com/2014/01/29/detroits-new-center-one-building-evacuated/>

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Government Facilities Sector

21. *January 30, Memphis Commercial Appeal* – (Tennessee) **Memphis College of Art security guard charged with stealing computer equipment.** A Memphis College of Art security guard was accused of stealing \$10,725 worth of computer equipment from the Midtown school after officials reported five pieces of equipment went missing January 14. Source: <http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2014/jan/30/memphis-college-of-art-security-guard-charged/>
22. *January 29, WCAX 3 Burlington* – (Vermont) **Flooding forces evacuation of Green Mountain College dorm.** Sixty-two students from Green Mountain College in Poultney were displaced after a sprinkler system pipe burst in the attic at the Bogue dormitory and flooded the building January 25. Source: <http://www.wcax.com/story/24582881/flooding-forces-evacuation-of-green-mountain-college-dorm>
23. *January 29, Colorado Springs Gazette* – (Colorado) **2 injured in Fort Carson plane crash.** Two U.S. Air Force crew members were transported to an area hospital with injuries after their aircraft crashed on Fort Carson's Butts Army Airfield in Colorado January 29 during a routine training mission. Source: <http://gazette.com/2-injured-in-fort-carson-plane-crash/article/1513601>
24. *January 29, Mobile Press-Register* – (Alabama) **Schools, roads and some offices to remain closed until Thursday in Clarke, Conecuh, Covington, Escambia, Monroe and Washington counties.** Emergency management officials reported that schools, government offices, and most roads in six outlying counties north of Mobile would remain closed January 30 after a severe winter storm left people stranded on highways or involved in automobile accidents. Source: http://blog.al.com/live/2014/01/schools_roads_and_some_offices.html

25. *January 28, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Virginia) **EPA settlement with Virginia military bases protects soil and groundwater from contamination.** In three separate settlements, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency settled alleged federal and State violations of underground storage tank regulations with the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, and U.S. Air force at three military bases in Virginia. Combined penalties totaled \$62,634 for all three branches.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/9ba04a61528f223785257c6e006e98df?OpenDocument>

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Emergency Services Sector

26. *January 30, WBNG 12 Binghamton* – (New York) **911 system restored.** Broome County's 9-1-1 system was fully restored January 30 after suffering outages at its call center January 29.

Source: <http://www.wbng.com/news/local/911-outages-242626891.html>

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Information Technology Sector

27. *January 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Remote code execution vulnerability impacts Wikipedia and other MediaWiki sites.** Researchers at Check Point identified a critical vulnerability affecting Web sites created with the MediaWiki platform that could be exploited for remote code execution. The MediaWiki Foundation issued a patch to close the vulnerability and advised users to update their installations.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Remote-Code-Execution-Vulnerability-Impacts-Wikipedia-and-Other-MediaWiki-Sites-422079.shtml>

28. *January 30, The Register* – (International) **Security 101 fail: 3G/4G modems expose control panels to hackers.** A researcher found that several 3G and 4G USB modems are vulnerable to cross-site request forgery (CSRF) attacks that could allow attackers to access the modem's control panel Web page and tamper with the device. The vulnerabilities could be exploited to send messages to premium-rate numbers and steal user credentials.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/01/30/3gmodem_security_peril/

29. *January 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Barracuda Networks identifies rogue SignNow version in App Store.** Barracuda Labs researchers identified a rogue version of their SignNow app in Apple's App Store, and found that developers listed as GameStruct and Tektrify are uploading rogue versions of other apps as well.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Barracuda-Networks-Identifies-Rogue->

[SignNow-Version-in-the-App-Store-422306.shtml](#)

30. *January 29, SC Magazine* – (International) **Before shutdown, ransomware op spreading “Icepoll” caused 42,000 U.S. infections.** Bitdefender and Romanian authorities analyzed servers seized in relation to the Icepoll ransomware and found that the ransomware was installed around 42,400 times in the U.S. between May and September 2013. An estimated \$32,000 was stolen from U.S. victims.
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/before-shutdown-ransomware-op-spreading-icepoll-caused-42000-us-infections/article/331677/>
31. *January 29, Threatpost* – (International) **High-volume DDoS attacks top operational threat to businesses, service providers.** Arbor Networks released its Worldwide Infrastructure Security Report and found that distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks were the largest operational threat to service providers and enterprises, reaching unprecedented levels in 2013, among other findings.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/high-volume-ddos-attacks-top-operational-threat-to-businesses-service-providers/103933>

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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

32. *January 28, Baltimore-Sun* – (Maryland) **Some Harford AT&T landline customers faced blackout Tuesday.** Some businesses utilizing AT&T communications in the Bel Air area experienced problems with their landlines for several hours January 28 due to a third-party cable cut.
Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/harford/belair/ph-ag-att-outage-0129-20140128,0,1503659.story>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

33. *January 30, WNBC 4 New York City* – (New Jersey) **8 New Jersey stores, church to be demolished after 4-alarm blaze.** A 4-alarm fire broke out January 30 at a strip mall in Elizabeth, New Jersey, destroying eight stores and prompting officials to order the evacuation and demolition of surrounding stores and a church. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.

Source: <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Elizabeth-New-Jersey-4-Alarm-Fire-Stores-242732211.html>

34. *January 30, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner* – (Alaska) **Geraghty Street apartment fire leaves 50 homeless.** A fire destroyed the Geraghty Street Building in Fairbanks which contained apartment units, a second-hand furniture store, and offices January 29, and left several people injured while displacing more than 50 residents. Officials are investigating the incident.

Source: http://www.newsminer.com/news/local_news/fire-destroys-geraghty-street-apartment-building-several-people-injured/article_e5dc0c02-8916-11e3-8722-0017a43b2370.html

35. *January 30, WMAR 2 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **Fire rages in Pikesville apartment complex.** Authorities are investigating a January 30 fire at a Baltimore apartment complex that sent 2 people to the hospital and left 24 residents displaced.

Source: http://www.abc2news.com/dpp/news/region/baltimore_county/fire-rages-in-randallstown-apartment-complex

36. *January 30, Pottsville Republican & Herald* – (Pennsylvania) **Klingerstown post office, apartment fire found accidental.** Fourteen residents were displaced after an electrical fire destroyed a Klingerstown apartment building January 28. A U.S. Post Office located below the apartments sustained smoke and water damage.

Source: <http://republicanherald.com/news/klingerstown-post-office-apartment-fire-found-accidental-1.1625632>

37. *January 29, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana) **Turner Plaza apartment fire began in area of heater, caused \$1.25 million in damage.** The Baton Rouge Fire Department responded to a fire at the Turner Plaza Apartments January 29, which caused an estimated \$1.25 million in damage at the complex. One person was injured and 40 residents were displaced.

Source: http://www.nola.com/traffic/baton-rouge/index.ssf/2014/01/turner_plaza_apartment_fire_be.html

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Dams Sector

38. *January 30, Bandon Western World* – (Oregon) **Dam leak will be a costly fix.** Bandon city officials discovered a leak in the Ferry Creek Dam that could compromise water flow to the city if left unaddressed. Costs for the repairs to the dam were estimated to be between \$500,000 and \$1 million.

Source: http://theworldlink.com/bandon/news/dam-leak-will-be-a-costly-fix/article_ff27b710-8925-11e3-a07e-0019bb2963f4.html

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