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Top Stories

- A severe ice and snow storm across the southeast part of the country caused more than 729,000 customers to lose power, over 4,100 flight cancellations, dozens of school districts to cancel classes, and government offices to close February 13. – *CNN* (See item **1**)

- A major natural gas pipeline explosion in Adair County, Kentucky, February 13 destroyed homes and cars and left at least one person injured while prompting an evacuation of nearby areas. – *Reuters* (See item **2**)

- General Motors announced a recall of 619,122 model year 2005-2007 Chevrolet Cobalt and model year 2007 Pontiac G5 vehicles in the U.S. due to an issue with the ignition linked to 22 crashes and 6 fatalities. – *USA Today* (See item **7**)

- Police arrested 5 individuals February 6 in connection with operating a pill mill out of a clinic in California's San Fernando Valley that sold more than $5 million in medication. – *Ventura County Star* (See item **18**)

- The National Institute of Standards and Technology February 12 released its Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Security, a document which outlines cybersecurity practices and standards for critical infrastructure. – *Threatpost* (See item **25**)

Energy Sector

1. *February 13, CNN* – (National) **Ice storm wallops southeast, stranding drivers, cutting power.** A severe ice and snow storm across the southeast part of the country caused more than 729,000 customers to lose power, over 4,100 flight cancellations, dozens of school districts to cancel classes, and government offices to close February 13.
Source: http://www.cnn.com/2014/02/12/us/winter-weather/index.html?hpt=hp_t1&nbd=5_things

2. *February 13, Reuters* – (Kentucky) **Blast rocks Kentucky natural gas pipeline amid storm.** A major natural gas pipeline explosion in Adair County, Kentucky, February 13 destroyed homes and cars and left at least one person injured while prompting an evacuation of nearby areas. NiSource Inc., announced it shut down part of its Columbia Gulf Transmission interstate pipeline as a result of the explosion after operating teams detected a drop in pressure and found the pipeline ruptured.
Source: http://kdal610.com/news/articles/2014/feb/13/one-injured-homes-ablaze-after-kentucky-gas-line-explosion/

3. *February 12, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **Brine flows into tributary, but State says spill contained.** RIM Operating Inc., reported that 10,500 gallons of produced saltwater was released from its McKenzie County oil field site and reached a tributary of Lonesome Creek. The North Dakota Department of Health stated that the spill was contained and no public water supplies were threatened.
Source: http://www.prairiebizmag.com/event/article/id/17803/

4. *February 12, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **Officials: 2 oil spills reported in western ND.** The North Dakota Department of Health stated that two oil spills were reported in the State, with one at a well site near Williston where nearly 300 barrels of crude oil was released, and a second near Waterford City where about 35 barrels were

released. Approximately 20 barrels of the Waterford City spill and 295 barrels of the Williston spill were recovered.
Source: http://www.newstimes.com/news/science/article/Officials-2-oil-spills-reported-in-western-ND-5229480.php

5. *February 12, Hartford Courant* – (Connecticut) **Firefighters battle blaze at Kleen Energy Plant in Middletown.** Firefighters responded to a fire February 12 at Turbine 1 at the Kleen Energy power plant in Middletown, Connecticut, where as much as 1,000 gallons of oil leaked. The fire was reportedly fueled by oil that is used to cool the turbine and was ignited by heat in the area.
Source: http://www.courant.com/news/connecticut/hc-middletown-kleen-energy-fire-0213-20140212,0,7216683,full.story

6. *February 12, KTVU 2 Oakland* – (California) **Tesoro refinery workers suffer minor injuries in acid spill.** Two Tesoro workers were treated and released after they were splashed with sulfuric acid while working in one of the Martinez, California refinery's gasoline production units February 12. The company shut down the unit while authorities investigated the incident.
Source: http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/local/tesoro-refinery-workers-splashed-acid/ndL8G/

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

7. *February 13, USA Today* – (National) **6 killed in GM cars with worn ignition switches.** General Motors announced a recall of 619,122 model year 2005-2007 Chevrolet Cobalt and model year 2007 Pontiac G5 vehicles in the U.S. due to an issue with the ignition where a heavy keyring or jarring can cause the ignition to switch off. The company is aware of 22 crashes and 6 fatalities related to the issue which can cause loss of power and a lack of airbag deployment.
Source: http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/cars/2014/02/13/gm-recall/5448319/

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

8. *February 12, Kirkland Reporter* – (Washington) **"Cyborg Bandit" caught, wanted for bank robberies in two counties, Kirkland.** Police in Seattle arrested a man February 11 whom they believed to be both the 'Cyborg Bandit' and the 'Elephant Man Bandit' responsible for a combined 30 bank robberies in King and Snohomish counties. Source: http://www.kirklandreporter.com/news/245276211.html

9. *February 12, SC Magazine* – (International) **Gameover Zeus most active banking trojan in 2013, researchers report.** Dell SecureWorks Counter Threat Unit released a report covering banking trojans in 2013 and found that the Gameover ZeuS trojan was the most actively observed trojan during the year, with 38 percent of activity, followed by the Citadel trojan at 33 percent of activity. Source: http://www.scmagazine.com//gameover-zeus-most-active-banking-trojan-in-2013-researchers-report/article/333795/

Transportation Systems Sector

10. *February 13, WCMH 4 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Crash, chemical spill closes S.R. 104 in Pickaway County.** A portion of State Road 104 in Pickaway County remained closed February 13 after a semi-truck hit a guardrail, overturned, and spilled about 2,000 gallons of ethanol into a nearby stream from its ruptured fuel tank February 12. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and Emergency Management Agency worked to contain the spill and begin the cleanup process. Source: http://www.nbc4i.com/story/24706163/crash-closes-sr-104-in-pickaway-county

11. *February 13, NBC News*– (Pennsylvania) **Train derails in Pennsylvania amid heavy snow.** Twenty-one Norfolk Southern Corp. rail cars carrying crude oil and propane derailed February 13, hitting a nearby steel plant in Vandergrift, Pennsylvania, forcing workers to evacuate the building. Officials are investigating the incident. Source: http://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/deep-freeze/train-derails-pennsylvania-amid-heavy-snow-n29461

12. *February 12, KYW-TV 3Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Worker burned during crane fire at Philadelphia shipyard; 2nd worker trapped.** A worker was burned and a second was trapped when a fire broke out in a crane February 12 at the Aker Shipyard in Philadelphia.
Source: http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2014/02/12/worker-burned-during-crane-fire-at-shipyard/

13. *February 12, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **FBI cracks down on shining lasers at aircraft.** A dozen FBI field offices across the U.S. will offer a $10,000 reward for the next 60 days for information leading to the arrest of any person known to be shining a laser at an aircraft due to the potential damage it can cause.
Source: http://www.officer.com/news/11309571/fbi-cracks-down-on-shining-lasers-at-aircraft

14. *February 12, KXLF 4 Butte* – (Montana; Idaho) **Avalanche danger closes Highway 12 at Montana/Idaho border.** Highway 12 near the Montana/Idaho border was closed indefinitely February 12 by the Montana and Idaho Departments of Transportation due to the threat of avalanches.
Source: http://www.kxlf.com/news/avalanche-danger-closes-highway-12-at-montana-idaho-border/

15. *February 12, Spokane Spokesman-Review* – (Washington) **Many eastern Washington highways closed due to flooding.** Sections of various highways across a number of counties in eastern Washington were closed by the State's Department of Transportation February 12 due to flooding on the roadways.
Source: http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2014/feb/12/numerous-highways-closed-due-flooding/

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *February 12, Lima News* – (Ohio) **Brief equipment fire pauses production at Rudolph Foods.** Employees were evacuated for several hours after a pork rind dryer caught fire and fire spread through an exhaust vent on the roof of a Rudolph Foods food production facility in Westminster, Ohio, February 12. The building sustained no damage and operations resumed several hours later.
Source: http://www.limaohio.com/news/news/759069/Brief-equipment-fire-pauses-production-at-Rudolph-Foods

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. *February 12, Astoria Daily Astorian* – (Oregon) **Power outage causes contaminated**

water sewage leak in Necanicum River. Approximately 125,000 gallons of contaminated water sewage leaked into the Necanicum River February 12 after a power outage prompted by a storm at Seaside's water treatment plant. Officials believe the water will be diluted quickly due to heavy rainfall and the river's high flow. Source:http://www.dailyastorian.com/free/power-outage-causes-contaminated-water-sewage-leak-in-necanicum-river/article_0ea6bc3a-943a-11e3-b1a5-001a4bcf887a.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

18. *February 12, Ventura County Star* – (California) **Simi Valley tip leads to 5 arrests in pill mill case.** Police arrested 5 individuals, including a doctor and 2 nurses, February 6 in connection with operating a pill mill out of the San Fernando Valley. The 5-month investigation determined the individuals were operating out of Arleta Medical Clinic and selling prescriptions for pain pills and anti-anxiety drugs without doctors' visits, valued at more than $5 million in estimated street value.
Source: http://www.vcstar.com/news/2014/feb/12/5-arrested-in-connection-with-operating-pill-out/

Government Facilities Sector

19. *February 12, WAVY 10 Portsmouth* – (Virginia) **Military Sealift Command worker pleads in bribery scheme.** The U.S. Attorney's Office reported that a civil employee with the U.S. Navy's Military Sealift Command pleaded guilty February 12 to accepting thousands of dollars in bribes in exchange for directing subcontracting work to a certain company from March 2005 to May 2009.
Source: http://www.nbcnews.com/id/54362152/

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Emergency Services Sector

20. *February 11, Firehouse.com News* – (New Jersey) **N.J. ambulance bursts into flames while transporting patient.** Two crew members were treated for smoke inhalation and a patient was removed and transported to an area hospital after a Budd Lake ambulance caught fire February 9 when flames came out of heating vents while out on an emergency call in New Jersey.
Source: http://www.firehouse.com/news/11309188/budd-lake-ambulance-catches-fire-all-ok

Information Technology Sector

21. *February 13, Softpedia* – (International) **Oracle confirms existence of 30 security holes in Java Cloud Service.** Oracle confirmed the existence of 30 security vulnerabilities in its Java Cloud Service reported to the company by Security Explorations researchers. The researchers stated that over half can be exploited to bypass the Java security sandbox.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Oracle-Confirms-Existence-of-30-Security-Holes-in-Java-Cloud-Service-426666.shtml

22. *February 13, V3.co.uk* – (International) **Android apps with Trojan SMS malware infect 300,000 devices, net crooks $6m.** Researchers at Panda Labs identified a new Android trojan app campaign that uses fake permission notifications to get users' devices to send SMS messages to a premium-rate number owned by the attackers behind the trojan apps. The campaign has infected at least 300,000 devices and netted the attackers at least $6 million.
Source: http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2328691/android-apps-with-trojan-sms-malware-infect-300-000-devices-net-crooks-usd6m

23. *February 13, Help Net Security* – (International) **Linksys home routers targeted and compromised in active campaign.** A security researcher reported that an unknown vulnerability is allowing Linksys E1000 routers to be targeted and infected with a worm dubbed TheMoon. The vulnerability is currently being heavily exploited in attacks.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2707

24. *February 13, Softpedia* – (International) **ASUS fixes vulnerabilities in RT-N66U, RT-N66R and RT-N66W routers.** ASUS released firmware updates for three RT-N66 model routers, closing five security issues.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/ASUS-Fixes-Vulnerabilities-in-RT-N66U-RT-N66R-and-RT-N66W-Routers-426689.shtml

25. *February 12, Threatpost* – (International) **US government delivers cybersecurity framework for critical infrastructure.** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announced February 12 that it has released the Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Security, a document which outlines cybersecurity practices and standards for industry and government to consider when developing security programs for critical infrastructure.
Source: http://threatpost.com/us-government-delivers-cybersecurity-framework-for-critical-infrastructure/104243

26. *February 12, SC Magazine* – (International) **Pre-installed security software leaves computers vulnerable to remote hijack, experts reveal.** Kaspersky Lab researchers released a report February 12 warning that the Absolute Computrace anti-theft software pre-installed on some desktops and laptops contains vulnerabilities which could allow attackers to remotely hijack systems.

Source: http://www.scmagazine.com/pre-installed-security-software-leaves-computers-vulnerable-to-remote-hijack-experts-reveal/article/333808/

27. *February 12, IDG News Service* – (International) **Denial-of-service vulnerability puts Apache Tomcat servers at risk.** Researchers published a proof-of-concept exploit for a recently-disclosed vulnerability affecting Apache Tomcat servers that could allow attackers to execute denial-of-service (DoS) attacks against Web sites hosted on the servers.
Source: http://www.networkworld.com/news/2014/021214-denial-of-service-vulnerability-puts-apache-tomcat-278708.html

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Communications Sector

28. *February 13, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Pennsylvania) **Verizon fixes phone outages in parts of 412 area code.** Verizon land-line service for 5,000 customers around Allegheny County with various area codes was restored after an outage that lasted more than 2 hours February 13.
Source: http://www.post-gazette.com/local/region/2014/02/13/Verizon-fixes-phone-outages-in-parts-of-412-area-code/stories/201402130276

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Commercial Facilities Sector

29. *February 13, Associated Press* – (International) **FBI, Secret Service investigating Sands hacking.** The FBI, U.S. Secret Service, and the Nevada State Gaming Control Board are investigating a cyberattack on the Las Vegas Sands casino company's Web sites and email system. The company is working to determine whether systems may have been compromised in the attack that took the sites offline for more than a day.
Source: http://www.nbc29.com/story/24705154/las-vegas-sands-investigating-website-hacking

30. *February 13, Delaware News Journal* – (Delaware) **Marshallton apartment fire leaves 20 residents without a home.** Investigators ruled that a child playing with a lighter started a Marshallton apartment fire that left 20 residents displaced and caused an estimated $150,000 in damage February 12.

Source: http://www.delawareonline.com/story/news/local/2014/02/13/marshallton-apartment-fire-leaves-20-residents-without-a-home/5444135/

31. *February 12, CNN* – (Kentucky) **Sinkhole swallows pricey Corvettes at hallowed museum.** Eight historic cars collapsed into a 40-foot-wide by 20-foot-deep sinkhole that opened beneath the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green February 12. The damaged part of the museum was closed indefinitely, while the rest of the facility reopened February 13.
Source: http://www.cnn.com/2014/02/12/us/national-corvette-museum-cars-fall/

32. *February 12, WFLA 8 Tampa* – (Florida) **Stuck roller coaster riders rescued at Busch Gardens.** Tampa Fire Rescue rescued 16 passengers from the "Cheetah Hunt" roller coaster at Busch Gardens after it unexpectedly stalled mid-ride during a rainstorm February 12. Officials are investigating why a safety system may have triggered and forced the ride to stop.
Source: http://www.wfla.com/story/24707191/16-people-stuck-on-busch-gardens-roller-coaster

33. *February 12, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Fire destroys antiques store in Cohasset.** Massachusetts fire officials are investigating a 3-alarm fire that engulfed the Reflections Antique Emporium in Cohasset February 12.
Source: http://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2014/02/12/firefighters-battle-alarm-blaze-cohasset/FhBHokBWNTlcHv3t40nSKP/story.html

34. *February 12, Associated Press* – (Connecticut) **Waterbury fires displace nearly 50 people.** Nearly 50 residents were displaced after a fire broke out in a Waterbury apartment building and condominium building February 11. One firefighter was treated for minor injuries.
Source: http://www.theday.com/article/20140212/NWS12/140219871/1047

35. *February 12, KOTV 6 Tulsa* – (Oklahoma) **Investigation underway after fire destroys Tulsa office building.** Authorities are investigating a fire that destroyed a Tulsa office building that housed the Petroleum Equipment Institute February 11.
Source: http://www.newson6.com/story/24698830/tulsa-building-catches-fire-firefighters-removed-as-roof-collapses

36. *February 11, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Damage estimate from strip mall fire totals $2.25 million.** Authorities are investigating a 3-alarm fire that destroyed several businesses in a Gendale strip mall and caused about $2.25 million in damage February 10.
Source: http://articles.glendalenewspress.com/2014-02-11/opinion/tn-gnp-damage-estimate-from-strip-mall-fire-rises-to-225-million-20140211_1_strip-mall-fire-fire-crews-aggressive-fire

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Dams Sector

37. *February 12, Bend Bulletin* – (Oregon) **Utility to fix Bend's Mirror Pond dam.** PacifiCorp announced February 11 that it will repair the leak in Bend's Mirror Pond dam in April and begin generating electricity after a wooden panel in the dam began leaking during October 2013, sinking the water level and causing electricity to be shut off.
Source: http://www.bendbulletin.com/home/1780016-151/utility-to-fix-bends-mirror-pond-dam#

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