

# Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 10 March 2014

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- About 430,000 North Carolina customers were without power March 7 while schools were closed or had delayed openings and streets and roadways were flooded after a winter storm brought heavy rain, snow, and sleet. *Charlotte Observer* (See item 1)
- An evacuation order for residents around a natural gas well in Acadia Parish, Louisiana, was lifted when workers capped the well March 6 after crews lost control while boring the well February 25. *Lafayette Daily Advertiser* (See item 2)
- Los Angeles County officials reported March 6 that computers containing the personal and billing information of around 168,500 customers of the county's Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Public Health were stolen after an office was burglarized February 5. *Los Angeles Times* (See item 21)
- Researchers at Trend Micro discovered a cyberespionage campaign dubbed Siesta that is targeting several industries, including energy, financial services, healthcare, and defense. Help Net Security (See item <u>26</u>)

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# **Energy Sector**

1. *March* 7, *Charlotte Observer* – (North Carolina) **More rain, flooding for Charlotte;** 430,000 without power to north. About 430,000 North Carolina customers were without power March 7 while schools were closed or had delayed openings as streets and roadways flooded after a winter storm brought heavy rain and a mix of snow and sleet to the State.

Source: <a href="http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2014/03/07/4748153/rain-flooding-for-charlotte-snow.html">http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2014/03/07/4748153/rain-flooding-for-charlotte-snow.html</a>

2. *March 6, Lafayette Daily Advertiser* – (Louisiana) **All clear given after Acadia Parish gas well finally capped.** An evacuation order for residents around a Black Creek Drilling natural gas well in Acadia Parish was lifted when workers capped the well March 6 after crews lost control while boring the well February 25, resulting in process failure and the release of colorless and odorless gas into the atmosphere. Source: http://www.theadvertiser.com/article/20140306/NEWS01/303060020

3. *March* 6, *WNCN* 17 *Goldsboro* – (North Carolina) **Duke Energy cited for deficiencies at Rutherford Co. steam plant.** The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources cited Duke Energy for deficiencies at its Rutherford County coalburning plant after finding issues at dams at two coal ash ponds at the Cliffside Steam Station, and directed the utility to make several vital repairs.

Source: <a href="http://www.wncn.com/story/24907258/duke-energy-cited-for">http://www.wncn.com/story/24907258/duke-energy-cited-for</a>

4. *March 6*, *Carlsbad Current-Argus* – (New Mexico) **Oil dump site found near WIPP**; **cleanup could cost BLM \$40,000**. The Bureau of Land Management reported that a mixture of what appeared to be motor oil and transmission oil was found dumped on public lands in the oil fields near the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad, New Mexico. Texas-based BOPCO offered to rinse off the spill, and contain and protect the surrounding environment.

Source: <a href="http://www.currentargus.com/carlsbad-news/ci\_25290720/oil-dump-site-found-near-wipp-cleanup-could">http://www.currentargus.com/carlsbad-news/ci\_25290720/oil-dump-site-found-near-wipp-cleanup-could</a>

5. *March* 6, *Associated Press* – (Montana) **Feds issue emergency order on oil shipments.** The U.S. Department of Transportation expanded on its February 25 order requiring more stringent testing for oil shipments moving over rail lines by ordering companies to test the flash point and boiling point of crude to determine how likely it is to ignite within reason, and not to re-label crude as some other volatile product. Source: <a href="http://www.kulr8.com/story/24904421/feds-issue-emergency-order-on-oil-shipments">http://www.kulr8.com/story/24904421/feds-issue-emergency-order-on-oil-shipments</a>

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## **Chemical Industry Sector**

Nothing to report

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## Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

6. *March 6, Kennewick Tri-City Herald* – (Washington) **More leaking waste found at Hanford tank.** The U.S. Department of Energy reported March 5 that a third leak was found in-between the shells of a radioactive waste tank at the Hanford Site in Washington. No waste was believed to have escaped into soil under the tank. Source: <a href="http://www.tri-cityherald.com/2014/03/06/2861771/new-leak-found-in-hanford-tank.html">http://www.tri-cityherald.com/2014/03/06/2861771/new-leak-found-in-hanford-tank.html</a>

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# **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

7. March 6, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission – (National) Canon recalls to repair PowerShot SX50 HS digital cameras. Canon announced a recall for around 14,000 Canon PowerShot SX50 HS digital cameras due to a chemical on the rubber part of the cameras' viewfinders that can cause skin or eye irritation or an allergic reaction.

Source: <a href="http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Canon-Recalls-to-Repair-PowerShot-SX50-HS-Digital-Cameras/">http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2014/Canon-Recalls-to-Repair-PowerShot-SX50-HS-Digital-Cameras/</a>

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# **Financial Services Sector**

8. *March 7, KXTV 10 Sacramento* – (California) **FBI bust credit card fraud ring.** FBI agents served arrest warrants at two homes and a trucking business in California after two men allegedly ran a payment card fraud scheme through the business and compromised around 23,000 American Express credit cards. A complaint stated that searches discovered over 50 academic reports from the San Juan Unified School District containing personal identifying information.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.news10.net/story/news/crime/2014/03/07/credit-card-fraud-fbi-american-express/6156273/}$ 

- 9. *March 6, United Press International* (International) **SEC accuse five of facilitating** \$150 million phony bond offering. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged five executives of law firm Dewey & LeBoeuf with allegedly using accounting fraud to sell \$150 million in bonds based on false financial information. Source: <a href="http://www.upi.com/Top\_News/US/2014/03/06/SEC-accuses-five-of-facilitating-150-million-phony-bond-offering/UPI-27021394142667/">http://www.upi.com/Top\_News/US/2014/03/06/SEC-accuses-five-of-facilitating-150-million-phony-bond-offering/UPI-27021394142667/</a>
- 10. March 6, Baltimore Business Journal (Maryland) FDIC files \$7.4M lawsuit against former Bradford Bank CEO, others over bank collapse. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation filed a lawsuit seeking at least \$7.4 million from the former CEO of now-defunct Rodgers Forge-based Bradford Bank and three other former executives for their alleged negligence prior to the bank's failure in 2009. Source: <a href="http://www.bizjournals.com/baltimore/news/2014/03/06/fdic-bradford-bank-lawsuit-dallas-arthur.html?page=all">http://www.bizjournals.com/baltimore/news/2014/03/06/fdic-bradford-bank-lawsuit-dallas-arthur.html?page=all</a>
- 11. *March 6*, *Chicago Tribune* (Illinois) **'Shady Bandit' strikes again on the North Side.** A suspect known as the "Shady Bandit" robbed a TCF Bank branch in the Andersonville area of Chicago March 6, the fifth robbery she is suspected in. Source: <a href="http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-shady-bandit-strikes-again-on-the-north-side-20140306,0,2899037.story">http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-shady-bandit-strikes-again-on-the-north-side-20140306,0,2899037.story</a>
- 12. *March 6, SC Magazine* (International) **Bitcoin exchange, Poloniex, loses 12.3 percent of funds.** Virtual currency exchange service Poloniex announced March 4 that attackers had stolen 12.3 percent of Bitcoins held by the service after leveraging a vulnerability in the service's withdrawal protocol.

  Source: <a href="http://www.scmagazine.com/bitcoin-exchange-poloniex-loses-123-percent-of-funds/article/337183/">http://www.scmagazine.com/bitcoin-exchange-poloniex-loses-123-percent-of-funds/article/337183/</a>

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# **Transportation Systems Sector**

- 13. *March* 7, *KAJ* 18 *Kalispell* (Montana) **Avalanches once again close northwest Montana rail line.** Burlington Northern Santa Fe obtained a permit from Glacier National Park in Montana for avalanche hazard mitigation due to a second avalanche-related closure for the rail line in less than a week March 6. A section of Highway 2 was also shut down as an avalanche precaution.

  Source: <a href="http://www.kaj18.com/news/avalanches-once-again-close-northwest-montana-rail-line/">http://www.kaj18.com/news/avalanches-once-again-close-northwest-montana-rail-line/</a>
- 14. *March 6, KUSA 9 Denver* (Colorado) **Rockslide shuts down Colorado highway.** A section of Highway 65 in the Grand Mesa area was shut down and traffic was detoured to alternate routes March 6 after a large rockslide disrupted the highway. Source: <a href="http://www.9news.com/story/news/local/2014/03/06/rockslide-shuts-down-">http://www.9news.com/story/news/local/2014/03/06/rockslide-shuts-down-</a>

#### colorado-highway/6147575/

15. *March 6*, *Spokane Spokesman-Review* – (Washington; Idaho) **Record rainfall causes flooding, road closures.** Authorities were forced to close roads in the Spokane area after more than three quarters of an inch of rain fell and caused washed-out roads and dangerous driving conditions March 6. The North Idaho College Center in Bonners Ferry was also shut down as a result of the rain water and melting snow. Source: <a href="http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2014/mar/06/record-rainfall-causes-flooding-road-closures/">http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2014/mar/06/record-rainfall-causes-flooding-road-closures/</a>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

16. *March 5, New York Times* – (New York) **Infections linked to Chinese seafood** markets in New York. The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene warned consumers and fish market workers to take precautions when handling raw or live fish after an outbreak of a rare skin infection affected at least 30 people who bought fish at markets in Chinese neighborhoods across New York City. Source: <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2014/03/06/nyregion/outbreak-of-rare-skin-infection-is-linked-to-new-york-city-seafood-markets.html">http://www.nytimes.com/2014/03/06/nyregion/outbreak-of-rare-skin-infection-is-linked-to-new-york-city-seafood-markets.html</a>

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#### Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. *March 7, KABC7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Water main break sends water gushing in Santa Ana neighborhood.** A 12-inch water main ruptured March 7 and caused officials to block several streets and shut off service to a Santa Ana neighborhood's homes and businesses indefinitely until crews could repair the line. Source:

http://abclocal.go.com/kabc/story?section=news/local/orange\_county&id=9457851

- 18. *March 6*, *New Hampshire Union Leader* (New Hampshire) **Water main break in downtown Nashua.** A large water main break in Nashua caused a reduction in water pressure in the downtown area as well as forced a local elementary school to be without water for a few hours March 6.
  - Source: http://www.unionleader.com/article/20140306/NEWS07/140309436
- 19. *March 6*, *WGRZ 2 Buffalo* (New York) **Cause of water line break found.** An improperly abandoned property in Niagara Falls caused a water line to freeze and break, dumping 1.5 million gallons of water onto a busy intersection March 5. Source: <a href="http://www.wgrz.com/story/news/local/niagara-county/2014/03/06/niagara-falls-water-line-break/6138641/">http://www.wgrz.com/story/news/local/niagara-county/2014/03/06/niagara-falls-water-line-break/6138641/</a>

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

20. *March 6*, *Reuters* – (International) **Pfizer recalls antidepressant after report of wrong drug in bottle.** Pfizer Inc., initiated a voluntarily recall of 2 lots of its Effexor XR antidepressant, and 1 lot of a generic version of the drug sold by Greenstone LLC, citing a pharmacist's report that 1 bottle of the medication contained a capsule of a different medication.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/03/06/pfizer-recall-idUSL1N0M32\underline{M120140306}$ 

21. *March 6, Los Angeles Times* – (California) Computers with L.A. County patients' personal data are stolen. Los Angeles County officials reported March 6 that 8 computers and 2 monitors were stolen after a Torrance office of Sutherland Healthcare Solutions, which handles billing and collections for the county's Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Public Health, was burglarized February 5. The equipment included personal data and billing information for nearly 168,500 patients of county medical facilities.

Source: <a href="http://www.latimes.com/local/la-me-patient-data-stolen-20140307">http://www.latimes.com/local/la-me-patient-data-stolen-20140307</a>, 0,1463656.story#axzz2vHscBlwc

22. *March 6, Philadelphia Business Journal* – (New Jersey) **Exclusive: Absent prescriptions, bad manufacturing processes alleged at south Jersey pharmacy.** New Jersey-based Wedgewood Village Pharmacy received a warning letter from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration after an inspection found the pharmacy was not receiving valid prescriptions for individually-identified patients for a portion of the human drug products it was producing and found several deficiencies in Wedgewood's practices for producing sterile drug products.

Source: <a href="http://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/blog/health-care/2014/03/fda-issues-warning-letter-to-south.html?page=all">http://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/blog/health-care/2014/03/fda-issues-warning-letter-to-south.html?page=all</a>

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# **Government Facilities Sector**

23. *March 6*, *Philadelphia Daily News* – (Pennsylvania) **Utility work to close 3 Phila. schools Friday.** Martha Washington Academics Plus School, Middle Years Alternative School, and Parkway West High School were closed March 7 due to Philadelphia Gas Works utility work that will impact heat in the buildings. Source:

http://www.philly.com/philly/education/20140307\_Utility\_work\_to\_close\_3\_Phila\_sc hools\_Friday.html

24. March 6, WMBB 13 Panama City – (Florida) Minor fire at Hiland Park Elementary

**School.** Hiland Park Elementary School in Bay County was evacuated and classes were dismissed March 6 after an electrical fire that started in the kindergarten wing left smoke damage. Crews worked to clean up the damage so classes could resume March 7.

Source: <a href="http://www.wmbb.com/story/24909935/minor-fire-at-hiland-park-elementary-school">http://www.wmbb.com/story/24909935/minor-fire-at-hiland-park-elementary-school</a>

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25. *March 6, Ionia Sentinel-Standard* – (Michigan) **MDOC releases 'investigative review' of ICF break-out.** The Michigan Department of Corrections released a report March 6 regarding the February 2 escape of an inmate from the Ionia Correctional Facility, suggesting that employees failed to follow procedures, equipment was used incorrectly or was inoperable, and pre-planning all contributed to the inmate's successful escape. The report also recommended procedures to follow in order to prevent future escapes.

Source: <a href="http://www.sentinel-standard.com/article/20140306/NEWS/140309284/-1/sports">http://www.sentinel-standard.com/article/20140306/NEWS/140309284/-1/sports</a>

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# **Information Technology Sector**

- 26. *March 7*, *Help Net Security* (International) **Siesta cyber espionage campaign targets many industries.** Researchers at Trend Micro discovered a cyberespionage campaign dubbed Siesta that is targeting several industries, including energy, financial services, healthcare, and defense. The campaign uses malware that enters dormancy at regular intervals and when active, sends out spoofed emails to various companies containing a malicious link that drops both a legitimate .pdf file and a malicious executable file. Source: <a href="http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16490">http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16490</a>
- 27. *March 7, Softpedia* (International) **Over 40 bugs, including 4 security vulnerabilities, fixed in Joomla 3.2.3.** The newest version of Joomla, Joomla 3.2.3, was released for download, closing four security vulnerabilities. Users were advised to update their installations immediately.

Source: <a href="http://news.softpedia.com/news/Over-40-Bugs-Including-4-Security-Vulnerabilities-Fixed-in-Joomla-3-2-3-431030.shtml">http://news.softpedia.com/news/Over-40-Bugs-Including-4-Security-Vulnerabilities-Fixed-in-Joomla-3-2-3-431030.shtml</a>

28. *March 7, The Register* – (International) **comiXology's Phantom Zone breached by villainous Haxxor.** E-comics service comiXology informed customers that attackers had breached its systems and accessed a database containing usernames, email addresses, and encrypted passwords. All customers were required to change their

passwords as a precaution.

Source:

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/03/07/comixologys\_phantom\_zone\_breached\_by\_ev il\_haxxor/

29. *March 6, SC Magazine* – (International) 'Dendroid' RAT trojanizes apps, enables compromise of Android devices. A researcher at Symantec reported discovering a new HTTPS remote access trojan (RAT) dubbed Dendroid for sale on underweb marketplaces. Dendroid allows attackers to add malicious code to legitimate Android apps in order to gain remote access to infected devices.

Source: <a href="http://www.scmagazine.com/dendroid-rat-trojanizes-apps-enables-compromise-of-android-devices/article/337191/">http://www.scmagazine.com/dendroid-rat-trojanizes-apps-enables-compromise-of-android-devices/article/337191/</a>

#### **Internet Alert Dashboard**

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30. *March 6*, *Beaufort Gazette* – (South Carolina) 'Significant' Hargray outage blamed on cut cable. Hargray Communications customers were without Internet, television, and phone service for most of the day March 6 due to Cleland Site Prep workers accidentally cutting a fiber-optic cable that serves the Hargray community. Source: <a href="http://www.thestate.com/2014/03/06/3308838/significant-hargray-service-outage.html">http://www.thestate.com/2014/03/06/3308838/significant-hargray-service-outage.html</a>

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## **Commercial Facilities Sector**

- 31. *March 7, KSHB 41 Kansas City* (Kansas) **KCK fire crews battle hotel fire on State Avenue.** Forty people were displaced after a 2-alarm fire broke out March 7 and destroyed the Regency Inn in Kansas City, Kansas.
  - Source: http://www.kshb.com/news/kck-fire-crews-battle-hotel-fire-on-state-avenue
- 32. *March 6, Miami Herald* (Florida) **Vandals trash 46 vehicles in secured apartment garage in Little Havana.** Police are searching for 4 men suspected of breaking into a secured parking garage of a Miami apartment building, where they burglarized and vandalized 46 vehicles March 6.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.miamiherald.com/2014/03/06/3978116/vandals-trash-46-vehicles-in-secured.html}$ 

33. *March 6, Associated Press* – (Michigan) **Fire chief says Detroit apartment blaze was arson.** Detroit fire officials announced that an accelerant was found at the scene of the Jason Manor Apartments and ruled arson as the cause of a March 5 fire that destroyed the building, leaving dozens of residents displaced and four people hospitalized. Source: <a href="http://www.toledoblade.com/State/2014/03/06/Fire-chief-says-Detroit-apartment-blaze-was-arson.html">http://www.toledoblade.com/State/2014/03/06/Fire-chief-says-Detroit-apartment-blaze-was-arson.html</a>

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## **Dams Sector**

34. *March 7*, *NBC News* – (Washington) **65-foot-long crack in Washington dam repairs itself.** After the 8,320 foot-long Wanapum dam in Washington was drawn down 26 feet, the reduced pressure on the structure allowed the 65-foot-long crack to settle into place, essentially fixing itself and allowing officials to change the status "from flash flood watch" to "non-failure emergency" March 4. Crews are still working to permanently repair the structure.

Source: <a href="http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/65-foot-long-crack-washington-dam-repairs-itself-n45606">http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/65-foot-long-crack-washington-dam-repairs-itself-n45606</a>

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