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- HAZMAT teams responded to a roof collapse at Interstate Warehousing in Hudsonville, Michigan, that broke the valves on an internal piping system and caused a 4,000 pound ammonia leak at the facility March 8. – *WXMI 17 Grand Rapids* (See item [15](#))
- U.S. Department of Agriculture officials announced March 7 that 8.7 million pounds of beef recalled by Rancho Feeding Corp., in February may have reached thousands of retailers in 35 States. – *CNN* (See item [16](#))
- A Tabor City, North Carolina couple was charged March 6 in connection with defrauding the U.S. government in a long-running insurance fraud and money laundering scheme which allegedly netted them \$2.7 million since 2007. – *Fayetteville Observer* (See item [29](#))
- Authorities are searching for a gunman who opened fire and injured one person at the Oak Court Mall in Memphis, Tennessee, March 6, prompting the closure of the mall for several hours while authorities investigated. – *WMC-TV 5 Memphis* (See item [41](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *March 10, Raleigh News & Observer* – (North Carolina) **Duke Energy still must restore 79,000 outages from storm; Orange schools closed.** Duke Energy crews continued work to restore power to about 79,000 customers in North Carolina that remained without service after a severe winter storm. Officials decided to close Orange County schools March 10 due to downed trees and power lines.  
Source: <http://www.newsobserver.com/2014/03/10/3689555/duke-crews-labor-on-as-79000-remain.html>
2. *March 7, WBOY 12 Clarksburg* – (West Virginia) **WV DEP investigating oil spill near West Union.** An estimated 800-1,000 gallons of oil leaked from a private well near West Union and into an unnamed tributary which flowed into Tom's Fork Creek March 6, the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection reported. Preliminary results found a pipe in the well may have frozen over and burst, resulting in the spill.  
Source: <http://www.wboy.com/story/24918292/dep-investigating-oil-spill-near-west-union>
3. *March 7, Reuters* – (Texas) **Shell says Ho-Ho pipeline shut after leak in Texas.** Royal Dutch Shell shut down its Houston-to-Houma (Ho-Ho) pipeline March 6 after construction crew members punctured the pipeline near Port Neches, Texas, releasing 364 barrels of crude oil.  
Source: <http://wkzo.com/news/articles/2014/mar/07/shell-says-ho-ho-pipeline-shut-after-leak-in-texas/>
4. *March 7, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP says radiation levels normal around Pa. gas well blast site.** The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection reported March 7 that tests showed radiation levels near the site of a February 11 Chevron natural gas well fire in Dilliner were not above normal levels at three locations near the well pad.  
Source: <http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/e0318fef0b2e4fabbb2f39c1497a6ef6/P-A--Gas-Well-Fire-Dunkard>

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## Chemical Industry Sector

5. *March 10, Portsmouth Herald* – (New Hampshire) **Chemical burns, evacuation at Tradebe Environmental.** The Tradebe Environmental facility in Newington, New Hampshire, was evacuated while 6 workers were hospitalized due to exposure to a corrosive chemical March 10. The cause of the incident is under investigation.  
Source: <http://www.seacoastonline.com/articles/20140310-NEWS-140319987>

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

6. *March 7, Richmond Times-Dispatch* – (Virginia) **Dominion returns Surry nuclear unit 2 to full power.** The Unit 2 reactor at the Surry nuclear power plant in Virginia returned to full service March 7 after being reduced to 73 percent power earlier in the day when a break in an instrument air line was detected.

Source: [http://www.newsadvance.com/work\\_it\\_lynchburg/news/dominion-returns-surry-nuclear-unit-to-full-power/article\\_05090278-a60a-11e3-ad58-0017a43b2370.html](http://www.newsadvance.com/work_it_lynchburg/news/dominion-returns-surry-nuclear-unit-to-full-power/article_05090278-a60a-11e3-ad58-0017a43b2370.html)

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

7. *March 10, Edmunds.com* – (National) **2014 Fiat 500L recalled to fix transmission problem.** Chrysler announced a recall March 7 for 19,500 model year 2014 Fiat 500L vehicles due to a transmission software issue that could cause the vehicles to not readily shift out of park.

Source: <http://www.edmunds.com/car-news/2014-fiat-500l-recalled-to-fix-transmission-problem.html>

8. *March 10, Edmunds.com* – (National) **2012-'13 Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Durango recalled to fix antilock brakes.** Chrysler announced March 7 that it is recalling 25,250 model year 2012 and 2013 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango vehicles in order to correct a software issue that could reduce braking performance during certain sudden braking maneuvers.

Source: <http://www.edmunds.com/car-news/2012-13-jeep-grand-cherokee-dodge-durango-recalled-to-fix-antilock-brakes.html>

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Financial Services Sector**

9. *March 9, WXYZ 7 Detroit* – (Michigan) **Man arrested for robbing banks after taking selfie on Facebook with gun used to rob banks.** A Pontiac, Michigan man was arrested for allegedly robbing three banks in the region and was found after he posted a

picture of himself with a gun allegedly used in the robberies to Facebook.

Source: <http://www.wxyz.com/news/region/oakland-county/man-arrested-for-robbing-banks-after-taking-selfie-on-facebook-with-gun-used-to-rob-banks>

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

10. *March 9, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Smoke from forest fire forces Calif. Freeway closure.** A forest fire in the Cleveland National Forest generated so much smoke March 9 that Interstate 8 in eastern San Diego County was forced to close down for nearly 2 hours while the blaze was fought by air tankers and ground units.  
Source: <http://www.firehouse.com/news/11325707/smoke-from-forest-fire-forces-calif-freeway-closure-in-san-diego-county>
11. *March 9, WLTX 17 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Three dead identified in Hartsville plane crash.** Three men were killed March 8 after a plane crashed in Hartsville, about a mile from Hartsville Regional Airport. The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating the incident.  
Source: <http://www.wltx.com/story/news/2014/03/08/two-dead-in-hartsville-plane-crash/6215843/>
12. *March 9, KOMO 4 Seattle* – (Washington) **Heavy rains disrupt train service, threatens Mukilteo home.** A mudslide near Mukilteo March 8 prompted a 48 hour suspension of Amtrak rail service between Seattle and Everett and disrupted freight rails until crews could remove debris from the tracks.  
Source: <http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Heavy-rains-disrupt-train-service-threatens-Mukilteo-home-249168101.html>
13. *March 8, Seattle Times* – (Washington) **Highway 12 over White Pass closed by slide.** A 40-mile section of Highway 12 between Packwood and the Oak Creek Feed Station was shut down March 8 indefinitely due to a mud and rockslide. Officials would estimate when the road could reopen after a March 9 inspection.  
Source: <http://blogs.seattletimes.com/today/2014/03/highway-12-over-white-pass-closed-by-slide/>
14. *March 8, WNYT 12 Albany* – (Massachusetts) **Chemical spill at CSX yard in Western Massachusetts.** Crews cleaned up an acid spill at the West Springfield CSX rail yard March 8 after a tractor trailer leaked organic peroxide, causing an evacuation and rail traffic and local surrounding roads to be shut down for about 5 hours.  
Source: <http://wnyt.com/article/stories/s3354404.shtml>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

15. *March 8, WXMI 17 Grand Rapids* – (Michigan) **Hazmat teams clean 4,000 pounds of ammonia leak after roof collapse.** HAZMAT teams responded to a roof collapse at Interstate Warehousing in Hudsonville that broke the valves on an internal piping system and caused a 4,000 pound ammonia leak at the facility March 8. Local businesses were evacuated and a portion of nearby Interstate-916 was temporarily closed while contractors worked to clear the scene.

Source: <http://fox17online.com/2014/03/08/hazmat-teams-clean-ammonia-leak-after-roof-collapse/>

16. *March 7, CNN* – (National) **Recalled beef may have reached 35 states.** U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials announced March 7 that beef recalled by Rancho Feeding Corp., in February may have reached thousands of retailers in 35 States. The USDA recalled 8.7 million pounds of beef products because the company processed diseased and unsound animals without the benefit of federal inspection, leaving the products unfit for human consumption

Source: <http://www.wisn.com/news/health/FDA-Tainted-recalled-beef-reached-35-states/24863320>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

17. *March 9, San Jose Mercury News* – (California) **California drought: More than 255,000 statewide homes, businesses don't have water meters.** Records showed that more than 255,000 homeowners and businesses in about 42 communities in 3 California counties do not have water meters installed, complicating efforts to conserve water during the State's continuing drought.

Source: [http://www.mercurynews.com/science/ci\\_25303957/california-drought-more-than-255-000-homes-and](http://www.mercurynews.com/science/ci_25303957/california-drought-more-than-255-000-homes-and)

18. *March 9, WGHP 8 High Point* – (North Carolina) **Wastewater spills reported in Alamance County, High Point.** Officials sent out notices of two separate wastewater spills in North Carolina March 7 where 15,000 gallons spilled from the Village of Alamance into the Alamance Creek, and 8,000 gallons spilled from High Point into Oak Hollow Lake.

Source: <http://myfox8.com/2014/03/09/8000-gallons-of-wastewater-spills-in-high-point/>

19. *March 8, Peninsula Daily News* – (Washington) **Rains carry 6 million gallons of water, sewage into Port Angeles Harbor.** Authorities put out a no-contact warning for the Port Angeles Harbor for the next week of March 10 after heavy rains March 6 overwhelmed the Port Angeles storm system and caused authorities to pump 6 million

gallons of raw sewage and rain water into the harbor.

Source: <http://www.peninsuladailynews.com/article/20140309/NEWS/303099983/rains-carry-6-million-gallons-of-water-sewage-into-port-angeles>

20. *March 7, WJAC 6 Johnstown* – (Pennsylvania) **120 Pa. homes boiling water after plant damaged.** About 300 residents between two villages in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, remained under boil notices more than 3 weeks after heavy snow collapsed the roof of the Six Mile Run Water Company's water facility February 13. Water trucks have brought in water since the collapse, and repairs could take several weeks due to structural damage and the possibility of frozen pipes at the facility. Source: <http://www.wjactv.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/121-bedford-co-homes-without-clean-water-1868.shtml>

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

21. *March 9, News 12* – (New York) **3 hospitalized after fire breaks out at Kingsbridge Heights Rehabilitation and Care Center.** Three people were transported to an area hospital after a March 9 fire at the Kingsbridge Heights Rehabilitation and Care Center in the Bronx, New York. Source: <http://bronx.news12.com/news/3-hospitalized-after-fire-breaks-out-at-kingsbridge-heights-rehabilitation-and-care-center-1.7334166>
22. *March 8, Cleveland Plain Dealer* – (Ohio) **Fire forces Cleveland Clinic chopper to make emergency landing.** A Cleveland Clinic helicopter made an emergency landing March 7 at Port Bucyrus Airport in Ohio after an engine fire caused by an unidentified impact left the helicopter with significant damage. Source: [http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2014/03/fire\\_forces\\_cleveland\\_clinic\\_c.html](http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2014/03/fire_forces_cleveland_clinic_c.html)
23. *March 7, WISN 12 Milwaukee* – (Wisconsin) **4 charged in Milwaukee VA hospital drug investigation.** Four individuals were charged in connection to a drug investigation at a Veterans Affairs hospital in Milwaukee after authorities discovered oxycodone and Percocet pills were transferred and sold among the group for several months. Source: <http://www.wisn.com/news/south-east-wisconsin/milwaukee/4-charged-in-milwaukee-va-hospital-drug-investigation/24861946>

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

24. *March 10, Associated Press; Kokomo Tribune* – (California) **Dozens injured as school**

- stage falls in California.** Twenty-five students were injured after a stage at Servite High School in Anaheim collapsed March 8 during a dance performance.  
Source: <http://www.kokomotribune.com/bonus/x1387853845/Dozens-injured-as-school-stage-falls-in-California>
25. *March 10, WTLV 12 Jacksonville/WJXX 25 Orange Park* – (Florida) **Overnight fire damages city building, police equipment.** The cause of a March 10 fire at the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office's pretrial services building is under investigation after the building suffered at least \$100,000 in damage and remained inoperable due to significant fire and smoke damage. Several computers, files, and other office equipment were also damaged.  
Source: <http://www.firstcoastnews.com/story/news/local/2014/03/10/fire-crews-commercial-fire/6249737/>
26. *March 8, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Students to return to dorms after blaze at St. Lawrence Seminary.** Nearly 200 St. Lawrence Seminary students were evacuated after a 5-alarm fire at St. Joseph Hall left the building, used for offices and classrooms, a total loss March 8. The students returned to their dorms after firefighters put out the flames at the Fond du Lac County building.  
Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/fire-reported-at-st-lawrence-seminary-high-school-b99221172z1-249126551.html>
27. *March 7, WBAL 11 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **FBI probes Johns Hopkins University data breach.** Johns Hopkins University officials reported a data breach after the personal information of as many as 1,307 current and former students in the Department of Biomedical Engineering's Design Team course was stolen from a web server at the Baltimore school. The hackers attempted to extort the university out of server passwords and posted the information they obtained online.  
Source: <http://www.wbalv.com/news/fbi-probes-johns-hopkins-university-data-breach/24858850>
28. *March 7, WCSC 5 Charleston* – (South Carolina) **Nine injured following school bus accident in Walterboro.** Nine people were injured March 7 following a school bus accident in Colleton County, South Carolina.  
Source: <http://www.live5news.com/story/24917686/emergency-crews-responding-to-school-bus-accident-in-walterboro>
29. *March 6, Fayetteville Observer* – (North Carolina) **Tabor City couple charged with crop insurance fraud.** A Tabor City, North Carolina couple was charged March 6 in connection with defrauding the U.S. government in a long-running insurance fraud and money laundering scheme which allegedly netted them \$2.7 million since 2007.  
Source: [http://www.fayobserver.com/news/local/article\\_42833de7-d80d-5e08-b178-e122f3cf6fc3.html](http://www.fayobserver.com/news/local/article_42833de7-d80d-5e08-b178-e122f3cf6fc3.html)

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

30. *March 7, New Bedford Standard-Times* – (Massachusetts) **Legionnaires’ bacteria shuts down Dartmouth police station.** Services were temporarily moved after the Dartmouth Police Station in Massachusetts closed its station indefinitely when a Legionnaires’ disease-causing bacterium was found in the hot water heating system March 7. The department tested the water after an officer was hospitalized due to the disease.  
Source: <http://www.southcoasttoday.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20140307/NEWS/140309869/-1/NEWS>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

31. *March 8, Softpedia* – (International) **Statistics company Statista hacked, email addresses and passwords possibly stolen.** Statistics and studies company Statista reported that attackers may have compromised its systems and accessed a user database containing email addresses and encrypted passwords.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Statistics-Company-Statista-Hacked-Email-Addresses-and-Passwords-Possibly-Stolen-431173.shtml>
32. *March 8, Softpedia* – (International) **BAE Systems publishes white paper on “Snake” cyber espionage campaign.** Researchers at BAE Systems Applied Intelligence published a white paper on the Snake cyberespionage campaign, which they believe the Uroburos rootkit is a part of. The researchers stated that the campaign may have been in development since 2005, may still be active, and also contains components known as “snark” and “sengoku.”  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/BAE-System-Publishes-White-Paper-on-Snake-Cyber-Espionage-Campaign-431214.shtml>
33. *March 7, Softpedia* – (International) **Ransomware authors: We are not scammers, we don’t need your files.** Researchers at Symantec identified a version of the Trojan.Ransomsript ransomware that encrypts victims’ files and demands a ransom to decrypt them, but also offers to decrypt the files for free after a month has passed.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Ransomware-Authors-We-Are-Not-Scammers-We-Don-t-Need-Your-Files-431053.shtml>



## 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

34. *March 7, Wisconsin State Journal* – (Wisconsin) **TDS outage affects thousands.** More than 50,000 TDS Telecommunications customers lost service March 7 after a construction crew accidentally hit and cut a fiber optic line, knocking out television, Internet, and telephone service for a few hours.

Source: [http://host.madison.com/business/tds-outage-affects-thousands/article\\_48602637-78ec-5afa-a29d-9d7460d456ca.html](http://host.madison.com/business/tds-outage-affects-thousands/article_48602637-78ec-5afa-a29d-9d7460d456ca.html)

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### Commercial Facilities Sector

35. *March 10, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Arrest made in Ohio bar shooting that killed 3.** Police arrested a man March 10 suspected of opening fire inside the Last Call Bar in Fremont, Ohio, killing three men and wounding a fourth after assaulting another individual March 9.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/officer-among-3-men-killed-in-ohio-club-shooting>

36. *March 9, KTBC 7 Austin* – (Texas) **15 still displaced after East Austin apartment complex fire.** Firefighters responded March 8 to a fire at an East Austin apartment building that damaged 27 units and initially displaced around 40 residents. Officials estimated the building sustained \$400,000 in damage.

Source: <http://www.myfoxaustin.com/story/24927752/15-still-displaced-after-east-austin-apartment-complex-fire>

37. *March 9, WTIC 61 Hartford* – (Connecticut) **Manchester apartment fire displaces dozens.** A fire broke out at an apartment building in the Town of Manchester March 9 and prompted the evacuation of 30 apartment units, leaving dozens of residents displaced due to fire damage and lack of utilities. The cause is under investigation after the fire was contained to one unit.

Source: <http://foxct.com/2014/03/09/manchester-apartment-fire-displaces-dozens/>

38. *March 8, Ventura County Star* – (California) **20 displaced by apartment building fire in Santa Paula.** Twenty residents were displaced and one person was injured after a fire broke out March 8 at a Santa Paula apartment building in Ventura County.

Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2014/mar/08/apartment-building-burning-santa->

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39. *March 7, Newport News Daily Press* – (Virginia) **Newport News: One hospitalized after apartment fire, 37 displaced.** A March 7 fire at The Towers apartment building in Newport News prompted the evacuation of about 200 people and left 37 residents of 21 units displaced. One person was treated at a local hospital for smoke inhalation.  
Source: <http://www.dailypress.com/news/newport-news/dp-newport-news-firefighters-respond-to-apartment-fire-20140307,0,1726235.story>
40. *March 7, WMTV 15 Madison* – (Wisconsin) **Wisconsin Dells amusement park open again after roller coaster fall.** Wisconsin officials are investigating after a man fell from a roller coaster at Mount Olympus theme park in the Wisconsin Dells March 6, prompting the amusement park to close for several hours and the ride to shut down indefinitely while authorities investigate.  
Source: <http://www.nbc15.com/home/headlines/Man-falls-off-of-Roller-Coaster-at-Mt-Olympus-Resort-248918561.html>
41. *March 7, WMC-TV 5 Memphis* – (Tennessee) **Shooting at Oak Court Mall injures one; police detain four men.** Authorities are searching for a gunman who opened fire and injured one person at the Oak Court Mall in Memphis March 6, prompting the closure of the mall for several hours while authorities investigated.  
Source: <http://www.kfvs12.com/story/24909567/reports-police-responding-to-shooting-call-at-oak-court-mall>
42. *March 7, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **Fire rips through Odenton apartment building.** A 3-alarm blaze damaged between 10 and 20 units of an Odenton, Maryland apartment building and caused an estimated \$2 million in damage March 7. The cause of the fire that forced residents to evacuate is under investigation.  
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/maryland/2014/03/07/fire-odenton-peaceful-way/6162481/>

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