



## Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 20 March 2014

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- Toyota Motor Corporation agreed to pay a record \$1.2 billion in fines and admit to misleading consumers as part of a settlement with the U.S. government regarding the company's handling of two unintended acceleration issues. – *Los Angeles Times* (See item [3](#))
- A KOMO-TV 4 Seattle, Washington, news helicopter plummeted into an intersection near the Seattle Center campus March 18, setting three cars on fire and killing two people on board. – *Associated Press* (See item [8](#))
- The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reported March 18 that an employee took home a computer thumb drive containing personal information of about 20,000 IRS workers, former workers, and contractors. – *Associated Press* (See item [21](#))
- A March 18 fire at the Vivint complex in Lindon, Utah, prompted the evacuation of 400-500 employees and left 3 people injured. – *Salt Lake Tribune* (See item [34](#))

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## Chemical Industry Sector

1. *March 19, Nashua Telegraph* – (New Hampshire) **Merrimack chemical firm fined by EPA.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) fined JCI Jones Chemicals Inc., of Merrimack almost \$41,000 to resolve allegations that the company failed to adequately evaluate risks associated with sorting and handling chlorine and sulfur dioxide in proximity to incompatible chemicals. The EPA also alleged that the company waited 10 hours to report to authorities a June 2010 chemical leak from a ruptured storage tank.  
Source: <http://www.nashuatelegraph.com/news/1031704-469/merrimack-chemical-firm-fined-by-epa.html>
2. *March 19, WSHM 3 Springfield* – (Massachusetts) **West Springfield emergency crews responding to hazmat situation.** HAZMAT crews responded to a chemical spill inside a semi-truck that formed a vapor cloud at a warehouse for the Crystal Companies in West Springfield, Massachusetts, March 18. Crews spent several hours decontaminating people who may have been exposed to the chemical.  
Source: <http://www.cbs3springfield.com/story/25012301/west-springfield-emergency-crews-responding-to-hazmat-situation>

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## Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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## Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *March 19, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **Toyota admits misleading regulators, pays \$1.2-billion federal fine.** Toyota Motor Corporation agreed to pay a record \$1.2 billion in fines and admit to misleading consumers as part of a settlement with the U.S. government over an investigation into the company's handling of two unintended acceleration issues.  
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-hy-toyota-billion-dollar-justice-department-settlement-20140319,0,7794824.story>

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Financial Services Sector**

4. *March 19, Bloomberg News* – (New York) **Simpson Thacher clerk charged in insider-trading scheme.** A clerk at law firm Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP and a stockbroker who worked at Oppenheimer & Co., and Morgan Stanley were charged by federal authorities for allegedly running an insider trading scheme through a middleman that resulted in over \$5.6 million in illicit profits.  
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-03-19/simpson-thacher-clerk-charged-in-insider-trading-scheme.html>
5. *March 19, The Register* – (International) **‘Zotob’ hacker ‘Diabl0’ arrested in Bangkok after three-year hunt.** A Moroccan suspected of causing \$4 billion in damages to Swiss banking systems was arrested in Thailand and faces extradition to Switzerland. The man was previously arrested and jailed in Morocco for spreading the Zotob worm that infected systems around the world, including a U.S. government Web site.  
Source: [http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/03/19/diabl0\\_hacker\\_arrested\\_bangkok/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/03/19/diabl0_hacker_arrested_bangkok/)
6. *March 18, Carlisle Sentinel* – (Pennsylvania) **Another bank robbed in South Middleton.** State Police in Carlisle believe that the suspect who robbed an M&T Bank branch in South Middleton Township March 18 was the same suspect responsible for two bank robberies in Boiling Springs. The three robberies also caused partial lockdowns at South Middleton School District schools since February 27.  
Source: [http://cumberlink.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/another-bank-robbed-in-south-middleton/article\\_055aeb86-aec2-11e3-96b9-0019bb2963f4.html](http://cumberlink.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/another-bank-robbed-in-south-middleton/article_055aeb86-aec2-11e3-96b9-0019bb2963f4.html)

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

7. *March 19, Youngstown Vindicator* – (Ohio) **Semi crashes tie up traffic on I-680, SR 82.** Two separate semi-truck accidents March 18 on Ohio Route 82 westbound in Brookfield Township and Interstate 680 southbound in Youngstown forced authorities to shut down lanes on both roadways for several hours in order to clean up and investigate.  
Source: <http://www.vindy.com/news/2014/mar/19/tractor-trailer-crashes-tie-up-traffic-o/>

8. *March 19, Associated Press* – (Washington) **Seattle looks at helipad rules after deadly crash.** Authorities are investigating after a KOMO-TV 4 Seattle news helicopter plummeted into an intersection near the Seattle Center campus March 18, setting three cars on fire and killing two people on board. A third person suffered extensive injuries while escaping from their burning car.  
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/seattle-looks-at-helipad-rules-after-deadly-crash>
9. *March 18, KTEN 10 Ada* – (Oklahoma) **Triple fatal accident on Highway 70.** A portion of Highway 70 in Marshall County, Oklahoma, was shut down for several hours March 18 after a semi-truck struck a vehicle while trying to avoid another vehicle, leaving 3 people dead and another injured.  
Source: <http://www.kten.com/story/25012300/triple-fatal-accident-on-highway-70>
10. *March 18, WJZ 13 Baltimore* – (Maryland) **Fatal crash on Route 100 involved 6 vehicles, including cement truck.** One person was killed and four others were injured in a multi-vehicle accident that shut down eastbound Route 100 in Pasadena, Maryland, for nearly 7 hours March 18.  
Source: <http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2014/03/18/violent-crash-on-route-100-involved-7-vehicles-including-cement-truck/>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

11. *March 18, San Francisco Bay City News* – (National) **Krave beef jerky recalled due to safety concerns.** The Monterey County Health Department in California announced a recall for Krave Jerky's Garlic Chili Pepper Beef Jerky due to the possibility that the product may contain meat from a previous Rancho Feeding Corp., recall which concluded that the company was processing diseased and unsound animals without a full federal inspection.  
Source: <http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/Krave-Beef-Jerky-Recalled-Due-to-Safety-Concerns-250725391.html>
12. *March 17, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **ConAgra Foods faces \$117,000 in US Department of Labor OSHA penalties for failing to protect workers from dangerous machinery, other hazards.** ConAgra Foods Inc., was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration March 17 for 13 safety violations at the company's Columbus flour mill, with proposed fines totaling \$117,000.  
Source: [https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=25743](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=25743)
13. *March 17, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Fannie May issues a voluntary recall of 89.08 cases of 14.0 oz. spring wrapped assorted chocolate box due to undeclared peanuts.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced

March 17 that Fannie May Confections Brands, Inc., recalled 14 ounce packages of its spring wrapped assorted chocolates due to undeclared peanuts.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm389402.htm>

14. *March 17, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Simply Natural Foods, LLC issues allergy alert for high levels of milk protein in Simply Lite Dark Chocolate Bars.** Simply Natural Foods, LLC voluntarily recalled its 3 ounce Simply Lite Dark Chocolate Bar after U.S. Food and Drug Administration testing revealed the product contains high levels of milk protein, while the labeling only claims the product may contain traces of milk.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm389406.htm>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

15. *March 19, Connecticut Post* – (Connecticut) **Uranium found in Stamford well water.** The Connecticut Department of Public Health reported that 70 percent of the 5 dozen private wells in the Stamford area sampled since January 2014 tested positive for uranium contamination and officials urged homeowners to test drinking water. The department is expected to complete water testing across 30 to 40 towns throughout the State by the fall of 2014.

Source: <http://www.ctpost.com/local/article/Uranium-found-in-Stamford-well-water-5329586.php>

16. *March 18, Lorain Morning Journal* – (Ohio) **Lorain scores \$500,000 for water quality at Lakeview Park beach.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provided a \$500,000 grant to Lorain's Lakeview Park through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative designed to improve the quality of water in Lake Erie. The improvements will reduce the amount of bacteria in storm water being directly discharged into the lake and help reduce the number of bacteria-related beach closures.

Source: <http://www.morningjournal.com/general-news/20140318/lorain-scores-500000-for-water-quality-at-lakeview-park-beach>

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

17. *March 17, Health IT Security* – (Ohio) **Health Source of Ohio file breach affects 8,800 patients.** Health Source of Ohio reported that 8,800 patients were affected by a data breach after a file containing protected health information was accessible on the Internet from mid-November 2013 through December 2013. The information was gathered through a Web-based program used by the health center's accounting staff and somehow available through Internet searches.

Source: <http://healthitsecurity.com/2014/03/17/public-file-from-health-source-of-ohio-affects-8800-patients/>

## **Government Facilities Sector**

18. *March 19, Associated Press* – (Texas) **School cancelled for week due to elementary school campus fire.** Hamshire-Fannett Elementary School in Texas remained closed the week of March 17 after a March 18 roof fire that severely damaged the building. Authorities are investigating the extent of the damage and the cause of the fire.  
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/story?section=news/state&id=9472346>
19. *March 19, WRAL 5 Raleigh* – (North Carolina) **Students, drivers injured in school bus wreck near Johnston County school.** At least 8 students were transported to an area hospital while several others were treated at the scene of an accident involving a school bus in Johnston County March 19. Authorities closed North Carolina Highway 50 for about 2 hours after the accident.  
Source: <http://www.wral.com/students-drivers-injured-in-school-bus-wreck-near-johnston-county-school/13492057/>
20. *March 19, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Washington, D.C.) **Howard Univ. dorm fire sends 3 to hospital.** Students were evacuated from Howard University's Meridian Hill Hall in Washington, D.C., for approximately 3 hours March 19 due to a fire that caused two students and a security guard to suffer smoke inhalation requiring hospitalization.  
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/maryland/2014/03/19/howard-university-dorm-fire-smoke-inhalation-dc/6597347/>
21. *March 18, Associated Press* – (National) **IRS: Employee took home personal info on 20K workers.** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reported March 18 that an employee took home a computer thumb drive containing personal information of about 20,000 IRS workers, former workers, and contractors. The agency's inspector general is investigating the potential breach.  
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/irs-employee-took-home-personal-info-on-20k-workers>
22. *March 18, Alamogordo Daily News* – (New Mexico) **Gas leak near Oregon Elementary School.** Students and staff were evacuated from Oregon Elementary School in Alamogordo March 18 and classes were cancelled after a damaged gas main began leaking. Crews responded to the scene and repaired the leak.  
Source: [http://www.alamogordonews.com/alamogordo-news/ci\\_25371615/gas-leak-near-oregon-elementary-school](http://www.alamogordonews.com/alamogordo-news/ci_25371615/gas-leak-near-oregon-elementary-school)

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

23. *March 19, Associated Press* – (Indiana; Illinois) **Ambulance stolen in Gary chased into Chicago.** A Prompt Ambulance Services private ambulance was stolen while it was outside a dialysis center in Gary, Indiana, March 18. Police chased the driver before he was caught in Chicago.  
Source: <http://wishtv.com/2014/03/19/ambulance-stolen-in-gary-chased-into-chicago/>
24. *March 19, WCMH 4 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Ross County emergency communications disrupted following metal theft.** The Ross County Sheriff's Office radio repeater site in Ohio was broken into and several items were stolen, disabling a portion of the county's radio communications system March 18. Authorities are investigating the metal theft and the tower is out of service until it can be repaired.  
Source: <http://www.nbc4i.com/story/25011254/metal-theft>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

25. *March 19, Softpedia* – (International) **Security researcher accidentally crashes Google Play when testing PoC app.** A security researcher uploading a proof of concept for a potential Android vulnerability may have caused several users to be unable to upload applications to the Google Play app market for a short time.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Security-Researcher-Accidentally-Crashes-Google-Play-When-Testing-POC-App-432931.shtml>
26. *March 19, Softpedia* – (International) **Hacked EA server used to host Apple phishing page.** Researchers at Netcraft reported that attackers compromised a server that hosts two Electronic Arts (EA) Web sites and used it to host a phishing page that mimics an Apple login page.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hacked-EA-Website-Used-to-Host-Apple-Phishing-Page-432977.shtml>
27. *March 19, Softpedia* – (International) **Expert finds RCE flaw in Yahoo after logging in with "Admin/Admin" credentials.** A security researcher identified and reported a flaw in a Hong Kong subdomain of Yahoo that allowed him to gain read/write/execute permissions by entering a default login name and password. The issue was reported February 20 and fixed February 21.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Expert-Finds-RCE-Flaw-on-Yahoo-After-Logging-in-with-Admin-Admin-Credentials-432956.shtml>
28. *March 19, Softpedia* – (International) **Mozilla releases Firefox 28, fixes vulnerabilities presented at Pwn2Own.** Mozilla released Firefox 28, the newest version of its Web browser, adding new features and closing 18 vulnerabilities identified during the Pwn2Own 2014 security competition.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Mozilla-Releases-Firefox-28-Fixes-Vulnerabilities-Presented-at-Pwn2Own-432912.shtml>



29. *March 18, SC Magazine* – (International) **\$30 RAT, WinSpy, involved in two phishing campaigns.** FireEye researchers identified two phishing campaigns utilizing the WinSpy remote access trojan (RAT) and the GimmeRAT Android malware that comes packaged with the first RAT. One campaign used spear phishing emails targeting U.S. financial institutions while a second was an indiscriminate spam campaign.

Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/30-rat-winspy-involved-in-two-phishing-campaigns/article/338770/>

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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

30. *March 19, Erie Times-News*– (Pennsylvania) **Erie's WQLN goes out Tuesday night, more outages likely.** Erie's public broadcasting affiliate WQLN-TV 54 experienced an over-the-air transmission outage March 18 due to a transmission problem. Officials reported that additional outages were expected March 19-20 while a replacement part is installed.

Source: <http://www.goerie.com/article/20140319/NEWS02/303199908/Erie's-WQLN-goes-out-Tuesday-night-more-outages-likely>

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *March 19, Oakland Tribune* – (California) **Police evacuate Berkeley City Club after hazardous materials call.** Guests and residents of the Berkeley City Club hotel and social club in San Francisco were evacuated March 18 after first responders found a suicide note warning that sodium azide was used inside a woman's apartment unit to commit suicide. Crews responded to the scene to investigate.

Source: [http://www.insidebayarea.com/news/ci\\_25371049/police-evacuate-berkeley-city-club-after-hazardous-materials](http://www.insidebayarea.com/news/ci_25371049/police-evacuate-berkeley-city-club-after-hazardous-materials)

32. *March 19, WNCT 9 Greenville* – (North Carolina) **Greenville hotel reopens after gas leak.** Malfunctioning equipment caused a natural gas leak and prompted the evacuation of 30-35 occupants from the Home-Towne Suites hotel in Greenville, North Carolina, March 18. The hotel reopened March 19.



Source: <http://www.wnct.com/story/25005147/gas-leak-forces-evacuation-of-greenville-hotel>

33. *March 18, WCTI 12 New Bern* – (North Carolina) **Red Cross: Jacksonville two-alarm apartment fire displaces 17 people.** Authorities are investigating a 2 alarm fire at the Azalea Garden Apartments in Jacksonville, North Carolina, that damaged 7 units and displaced 17 residents March 18.

Source: <http://www.wcti12.com/news/firefighters-on-scene-battling-apartment-building-blaze/25034934>

34. *March 18, Salt Lake Tribune* – (Utah) **Firefighter badly injured during blaze at Lindon's Vivint Building.** Officials believe a March 18 fire at the Vivint warehouse-and-office complex in Lindon, which prompted the evacuation of 400-500 employees, was sparked by heat tape used to prevent freezing in the facility's gutter system. One firefighter suffered serious injuries after a wall collapsed, and two other individuals were treated for smoke inhalation.

Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/57697719-78/fire-lindon-500-building.html.csp>

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