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- Two workers were killed and nine others were injured in a pressure explosion at an RKI Exploration & Production drill site near Orla, Texas, April 30 while a well head was being installed. – *Carlsbad Current-Argus* (See item [2](#))
- A former manager of the Thatcher Chemical plant in DeLand, Florida, was charged April 25 for improperly disposing more than 150,000 pounds of hazardous waste on the facility's grounds between 2010 and 2011. – *Daytona Beach News-Journal* (See item [4](#))
- A large tornado hit Wilkes Farm in Noxapater, Mississippi, April 28, leveling 8 poultry houses and killing about 220,000 Tyson Foods-owned chickens, while causing an estimated \$1.5 million in damage. – *Associated Press* (See item [16](#))
- A gas explosion April 30 at the Escambia County Central Booking and Detention Center in Pensacola, Florida, demolished part of the building, killed 2 inmates, left more than 100 others injured, and prompted the evacuation of about 600 prisoners. – *Pensacola News Journal* (See item [26](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *May 1, Associated Press* – (National) **152 citations issued during MSHA mine inspections.** The Mine Safety and Health Administration issued 6 citations and 5 failure orders at Peabody Midwest Mining LLC's Francisco underground mine in Gibson County, Indiana, as part of their federal impact inspections at U.S. mines in March. An inspection of 10 coal mines and 3 other mines resulted in 152 citations and 14 orders.
Source: <http://www.register-herald.com/latestnews/x493484862/152-citations-issued-during-MSHA-mine-inspections>
2. *April 30, Carlsbad Current-Argus* – (Texas) **Police identify Artesia man killed in oilfield explosion.** Two workers were killed and nine others were injured in a pressure explosion at an RKI Exploration & Production drill site near Orla, Texas, April 30 while a well head was being installed. Officials are investigating the incident after employees were able to shut down valves and secure the area before responders arrived.
Source: http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-healthy_u/ci_25664078/eddy-county-sheriffs-department-responding-reports-oil-rig
3. *April 30, Pensacola News Journal* – (Florida) **Gulf Power restores power to 35,000 customers.** Gulf Power restored service to more than 35,000 customers May 1 in Florida after storms produced heavy rainfall April 29. Less than 24,000 customers primarily in Escambia County were still without service.
Source: <http://www.pnj.com/story/news/2014/04/30/gulf-power-restores-power-to-35000-customers/8512439/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. *April 28, Daytona Beach News-Journal* – (Florida) **State: DeLand-area plant manager dumped 150,000 pounds of hazardous chemicals.** A former manager of the Thatcher Chemical plant in DeLand was arrested and charged April 25 after a State investigation concluded he was responsible for improperly disposing more than 150,000 pounds of hazardous waste on the facility's grounds between 2010 and 2011. Thatcher Chemical was fined more than \$230,000 by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection in March in response to improper dumping at its DeLand facility and a second Florida plant.
Source: <http://www.news-journalonline.com/article/20140428/NEWS/140429463>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

5. *April 29, Kenai Peninsula Clarion* – (Alaska) **Kenai company cited for radiation exposure violations.** The Kenai branch of Acuren USA suspended radiography

operations following a surprise U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection that found high radiation readings that could expose the public nearby to radiation in excess of NRC annual limits.

Source: <http://peninsulaclarion.com/news/2014-04-29/kenai-company-cited-for-radiation-exposure-violations>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

6. *May 1, Philadelphia Business Journal* – (Pennsylvania) **Former Villanova basketball star charged with pushing clients into \$1.2B Ponzi scheme.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged the former CEO of Radnor-based Ballamor Capital Management April 30 with fraudulently inducing his clients into investing around \$100 million into a fund that was used to buy fake lawsuit settlements from a man who was later convicted of running a Ponzi scheme. When the former CEO's firm collapsed, investors lost the roughly \$100 million of invested funds.
Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/morning_roundup/2014/05/sec-charges-former-villanova-basketball-star-with.html
7. *April 30, Chicago Sun-Times Media Wire* – (Illinois; Indiana; Mississippi) **FBI announces \$10K reward for 'Wandering Bandit.'** The FBI offered a reward April 30 for information relating to a suspect known as the "Wandering Bandit" who is thought to be responsible for at least 4 bank robberies in 3 States. The man is suspected in the robberies of banks in Illinois, Indiana, and Mississippi, with the most recent robbery taking place at a Heartland Bank branch in Huntley, Illinois, April 25.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wls/story?section=news/local&id=9522173>
8. *April 29, Bloomberg News* – (New York) **Money manager admits to operating \$96 million Ponzi scheme.** An Old Westbury man pleaded guilty April 29 to running a \$96 million Ponzi scheme that purported to invest funds in funds and securities but instead used the money to support the manager's lifestyle and to finance an unprofitable resort.
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-04-29/money-manager-admits-to-operating-96-million-ponzi-scheme-1-.html>

Transportation Systems Sector

9. *May 1, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **CSX train carrying about 8,000 tons of coal derails in Bowie.** Maryland authorities are investigating how a CSX freight train consisting of at least 3 locomotives and 63 train cars carrying about 8,000 tons of coal partially derailed May 1 in Bowie, Maryland.
Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/bs-md-csx-derailment-20140501,0,209379.story>
10. *May 1, Associated Press* – (National) **Computer issues delay flights in Los Angeles.** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reported that about 212 flights were delayed, 27 were diverted, and 27 were canceled to and from the Los Angeles area for more than an hour April 30 due to a failure of Los Angeles' En Route Automation Modernization system (ERAM).
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/computer-issues-delay-flights-in-los-angeles>
11. *May 1, Salt Lake Tribune* – (Utah) **Parleys Canyon oil leak shouldn't hurt Salt Lake City's water.** Crews dug a dirt berm and put up absorbent booms to clean up an oil spill in Parleys Canyon May 1 after a box truck rear-ended a semi-truck carrying barrels of crude oil on Interstate 80, disrupting traffic and causing about 105 barrels of crude oil to spill on the highway and into Parleys Creek. Authorities closed water intakes as a precaution, but water sampling revealed no evidence of contamination.
Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/57884340-78/crash-lanes-according-canyon.html.csp>
12. *April 30, Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel* – (Florida) **Fort Lauderdale Airport computer outage reported.** A construction crew accidentally cut a fiber optic cable at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport April 30, causing dozens of flights to be delayed, rerouted, or canceled as well as Wi-Fi service disruption for passengers in the terminals until crews could repair the cable.
Source: http://www.cbs12.com/news/top-stories/stories/vid_15460.shtml
13. *April 30, Reuters* – (Virginia) **CSX oil train derails in Virginia, leaks into river.** A CSX Corp train travelling from Chicago to Virginia carrying crude oil derailed in Lynchburg April 30, causing three cars to roll down an embankment and into the James River, catching fire, spilling crude oil, and forcing nearly 350 people to evacuate the area.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/csx-oil-train-derails-in-virginia-leaks-into-river>
14. *April 30, WDIV 4 Detroit* – (Michigan) **2 semi-trucks collide, catch fire on I-75 in Monroe County; at least 1 person killed.** Interstate 75 in Monroe County, Michigan, was closed for about 9 hours after two semi-trucks collided and caught fire. At least one person was killed in the accident.
Source: <http://www.clickondetroit.com/news/i75-shut-down-at-laplaisance-road-because-of-semitruck-fire/25733732>

15. *April 30, Torrance Daily Breeze* – (California) **Woman, 24, killed in 710 Freeway guard-rail crash.** The Imperial Highway entry and exit ramps on the Long Beach 710 Freeway in Lynwood was shut down for more than 7 hours April 30 after a woman perished after hitting a guard-rail on the highway and getting trapped inside her car. Source: <http://www.dailybreeze.com/general-news/20140430/woman-24-killed-in-710-freeway-guard-rail-crash>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *May 1, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Tornado leaves thousands of dead chickens on shattered poultry farms in rural Mississippi.** A large tornado hit Wilkes Farm in Noxapater, Mississippi, April 28, leveling 8 aluminum- and wood-framed poultry houses holding about 220,000 Tyson Foods-owned chickens. Only a few chickens survived and the loss of the chicken houses alone were estimated at about \$1.5 million. Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/05/01/tornado-leaves-thousands-dead-chickens-on-shattered-poultry-farms-in-rural/>
17. *April 30, RFDTV.com* – (Nebraska) **Winds damage eastern Nebraska grain bin.** High winds caused the top half of a grain bin at Scoular Grain in Lincoln County, Nebraska, to collapse April 28, spilling corn and prompting the company to close off the area as a precaution. Source: <http://www.rfdtv.com/story/25394275/photos-winds-damage-eastern-nebraska-grain-bin>
18. *April 30, Food Poisoning Bulletin* – (California) **California updates warning about domoic acid in shellfish.** The California Department of Public Health issued an updated advisory warning consumers not to eat the internal organs of commercially or recreationally caught anchovy, sardines, or crab from Monterey and Santa Cruz counties due to dangerous levels of domoic acid. The update is in addition to an April warning that advised against eating recreationally harvested bivalve shellfish from those counties. Source: <http://foodpoisoningbulletin.com/2014/california-updates-warning-about-domoic-acid-in-shellfish/>
19. *April 29, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **37,000 chickens killed in Pa. barn fire.** Officials believe an electrical malfunction may be to blame for an April 29 fire that broke out at a two-story chicken house in Elizabeth Township and killed 37,000 chickens owned by poultry producer Bell and Evans. The structure was deemed a total loss. Source: <http://www.abc27.com/story/25381655/37000-chickens-killed-in-pa-barn-fire>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

20. *May 1, Associated Press* – (Oregon) **Urine-tinged water diverted to new reservoir.** More than two weeks after a teenager urinated at a reservoir, the city of Portland has decided not to flush millions of gallons of drinking water but instead to transfer the nearly 35 million gallons from Reservoir 5 to an empty reservoir to determine how long its quality can last as a public water feature.
Source: <http://www.bendbulletin.com/localstate/2036053-151/urine-tinged-water-diverted-to-new-reservoir>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *May 1, Bradford Era* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP fines Microbac in Erie for various violations.** Microbac Laboratories Inc., Erie Division was ordered to pay \$220,000 and take actions to correct various violations after an on-site assessment in June 2013 by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The State found the lab failed to meet several standards when testing and analyzing a variety of liquids, chemicals, and soils.
Source: http://www.bradfordera.com/news/article_7d28dad2-d0dd-11e3-8f4b-0019bb2963f4.html
22. *April 30, WANE 15 Fort Wayne* – (Indiana) **Patient info breached after DeKalb hospital website hacked.** DeKalb Health notified 17 patients after a third party firm's server used to operate the hospital's Web site was hacked in February, allowing access to their personal information and credit card numbers. Investigators also stated that an additional database containing information on 24 patients, along with approximately 1,320 nursery babies may have been created by hackers, as well as a fake Web site which appeared as a donation page for the DeKalb Health Foundation in order to send fake phishing emails.
Source: <http://wane.com/news/health/patient-info-breached-after-dekalb-hospital-hacked/>
23. *April 28, Durango Herald* – (Colorado) **Mercy records breach.** Centura Health notified about 1,000 individuals in Durango that their personal and medical information may have been compromised through a phishing email attack that targeted employees in February. Officials stopped the attack and began an investigation into the incident.
Source: <http://www.durangoherald.com/article/20140428/NEWS01/140429556/article/20140428/NEWS01/140429556/Mercy-patient-info-hacked->

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Government Facilities Sector

24. *May 1, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **Etiwanda Fire: 1,000 acres burned, 10 percent contained.** Fire crews worked to contain the Etiwanda Fire that burned more than 1,000 acres in Rancho Cucamonga, and mandatory evacuations were lifted April 30 while several schools and roads remained closed May 1.
Source: <http://ktla.com/2014/05/01/officials-to-provide-etiwanda-fire-update-1000-acres-burned>
25. *May 1, WWJ 62 Detroit; Associated Press* – (Michigan) **Power back at Detroit schools after 2-day shutdown.** Crews restored power May 1 to all 21 public schools in Detroit that lost service in a storm after 10 schools were closed for 2 days. Officials stated an underlying issue in the system's instability was due to copper theft.
Source: <http://detroit.cbslocal.com/2014/05/01/power-back-at-detroit-schools-after-2-day-shutdown/>

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Emergency Services Sector

26. *May 1, Pensacola News Journal* – (Florida) **2 killed, dozens injured in Florida jail explosion.** An apparent gas explosion April 30 at the Escambia County Central Booking and Detention Center in Pensacola demolished part of the building, killed 2 inmates, left more than 100 others injured, and prompted the evacuation of about 600 prisoners. Authorities are investigating the cause of the explosion.
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/05/01/florida-jail-explosion/8550957/>
27. *April 29, Tacoma News Tribune* – (Washington) **CenturyLink files state report explaining cause of 911 outage.** CenturyLink filed a report to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission detailing that an estimated 4,500 failed 9-1-1 calls, which never reached local emergency centers for about 6 hours April 10, were stuck at a processing center in Englewood, Colorado. The report states that Intrado, a third-party vendor, reached capacity on its unique identifying keys assigned to each call, causing the calls to get stranded at the Colorado complex.
Source: <http://ww0.w.thenewstribune.com/2014/04/29/3171950/centurylink-files-state-report.html>

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Information Technology Sector

28. *May 1, The Register* – (International) **Staunch your Heartbleed patching: FreeBSD has a nasty credentials leak.** The creators of FreeBSD advised users to apply a patch that was released after a TCP ordering issue was discovered which could allow

attackers to perform denial-of-service (DoS) or data leakage attacks.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/05/01/freebsd_next_to_leak_credentials/

29. *April 30, SC Magazine* – (International) **Possibly the first Android worm, spreading through SMS, found in wild.** ESET researchers reported that the Android/Samsapo.A malware may be the first Android worm seen in the wild. The malware spreads via SMS messages, can perform a variety of actions, and is currently seen targeting users in Russia.

Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/possibly-the-first-android-worm-spreading-through-sms-found-in-wild/article/344873/>

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

30. *April 30, Cincinnati Enquirer* – (Ohio) **Cincinnati Comm service back on.** Internet service was restored for Cincinnati Communication customers April 30 after service was down since April 21. The company did not confirm a reason for the extended outage.

Source: <http://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/your-watchdog/2014/04/30/cincinnati-comm-service-back/8522143/>

31. *April 30, KESQ 42 Palm Springs* – (California) **Power and phone outages reported across Riverside/San Bernardino Counties.** More than 260 customers of Telepacific Communications, including Eisenhower Medical Center, news stations, and other businesses, were without cell service for several hours April 30 after a fiber ring was cut in San Bernardino.

Source: <http://www.kesq.com/news/power-and-phone-outages-reported-across-riverside-county/25742194>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

32. *May 1, WCAU 10 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Center City explosion leads to evacuations.** A suspected carbon monoxide leak led to a fire and explosion at a home in the Center City area of Philadelphia May 1, prompting the evacuation of about 40 residents from an apartment building and nearby homes. The blast knocked out power

in the area, including to Albert Greenfield Elementary School, forcing the dismissal of classes.

Source: <http://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/breaking/Naudain-Fire-257460951.html>

33. *May 1, WBNS 10 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Pickaway County deputies give all-clear after investigating bomb threat.** A Walmart in Circleville was evacuated for roughly 4 hours beginning April 30 after an individual called the store and claimed there were bombs inside the building. Police searched the building and cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found.

Source: <http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2014/05/01/circleville-bomb-threat-walmart.html>

34. *May 1, WBND 57 South Bend* – (Michigan) **Martin's Supermarket closed for hours after bomb threat.** A Martin's Supermarket in St. Joseph, Michigan, was evacuated and closed for over 4 hours April 30 due to a phoned bomb threat. Crews searched and cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found.

Source: <http://www.abc57.com/home/top-stories/Martins-Supermarket-closed-for-hours-after-bomb-threat-257440281.html>

35. *April 30, Associated Press* – (Wyoming) **3 businesses cleared to reopen as Wyoming landslide movement slows significantly.** Authorities allowed the owners of two restaurants and a liquor store in a Jackson, Wyoming shopping center to reopen their businesses April 30, after they were evacuated due to a landslide during the week of April 14. About 16 million tons of dirt and rock have been hauled in to slow the slide, and one lane of a road is expected to reopen by May 2.

Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/04/30/3-businesses-cleared-to-reopen-as-wyoming-landslide-movement-slows/>

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Dams Sector

36. *May 1, WRC 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **Evacuation lifted in Laurel after dam gates opened.** Authorities in Laurel, Maryland, opened the floodgates on the T. Howard Duckett Dam May 1 for more than 5 hours after a leak in the dam started flowing into a construction site, prompting officials to become concerned about erosion to the buttress that supports the dam. About 200 senior citizens were evacuated from a nearby apartment building, and many other area businesses were evacuated and closed due to the flood waters.

Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Hundreds-Evacuated-in-Laurel-After-Crack-Found-in-Dam-257454861.html>

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