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- A man was arrested May 2 in Hackensack, New Jersey, after a traffic stop led to a search of the man's apartment where thousands of blank payment cards, forgery equipment, and other suspicious items were found. – *Bergen County Record* (See item [4](#))
- Both sides of the 15 Freeway in Hesperia, California, reopened May 6 after a 34-hour closure due to a fire on the Ranchero Road overpass that was accidentally started when a contractor was using a blowtorch. – *San Bernardino Sun* (See item [8](#))
- Detroit Public School officials announced the closure of 10 schools in the city due to issues with the public lighting system which caused the schools to lose power. – *WWJ 62 Detroit* (See item [13](#))
- Officials believe an Illinois community college student and a member of the U.S. Navy conspired to hack into the computer systems of more than 30 public and private organizations in order to steal identities, obstruct justice, and damage a protected computer. – *KSDK 5 St. Louis* (See item [14](#))

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## **Energy Sector**

1. *May 7, Reuters* – (International) **Enbridge says 796,000 bpd Line 4 shut down after power outage.** Enbridge Inc., announced that its 796,000 barrel per day Line 4 pipeline which carries crude from Alberta, Canada, to Clearbrook, Minnesota, was shut down May 6 after a power outage due to a failure on SaskPower's transmission line which feeds two pump stations.

Source: <http://in.reuters.com/article/2014/05/06/enbridge-inc-pipeline-outages-idINL2N0NS27220140506>

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

2. *May 6, New York Times* – (National) **G.M. recalls 56,000 Saturn Auras for gearshift cable defect.** General Motors announced a recall May 6 for around 56,000 model year 2007-2008 Saturn Aura vehicles due to the potential for a transmission shifter cable to break, which could prevent the driver from shifting the transmission into 'park' and present a rollaway hazard. The company stated it was aware of 28 crashes and 4 injuries related to the issue over the last 7 years.

Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/05/07/automobiles/gm-recalls-56000-saturn-auras-for-shift-cable-defect.html>

3. *May 6, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **San Cast fined \$155,900 by US Department of Labor's OSHA for repeatedly exposing workers to falls, amputation hazards at Coshocton, Ohio, plant.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited San Cast Inc., for 17 health and safety violations after a follow-up inspection November 2013 at the company's Coshocton facility, 11 of which were serious violations. Proposed fines totaled \$155,900

Source:

[https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=25953](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=25953)

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Financial Services Sector**

4. *May 7, Bergen County Record* – (New Jersey) **A Hackensack traffic stop leads cops to a fraud arrest.** A man was arrested May 2 in Hackensack after a traffic stop led to a search of the man's apartment where thousands of blank payment cards, forgery equipment, and other suspicious items were found. Police stated that they believed the man is connected to a multi-million dollar fraud operation.  
Source: <http://www.northjersey.com/news/a-hackensack-traffic-stop-leads-cops-to-a-fraud-arrest-1.1010671?page=all>
5. *May 7, Carbondale Southern Illinoisan* – (Illinois) **Two indicted on bank, wire fraud charges.** Two individuals from New York were indicted in federal court in Benton, Illinois, May 5 for allegedly committing bank and wire fraud that netted them \$6.1 million by concealing their ownership interests to banks when obtaining financing.  
Source: [http://thesouthern.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/two-indicted-on-bank-wire-fraud-charges/article\\_c46a657f-d7e8-572a-a5dd-18d0807dbbfd.html](http://thesouthern.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/two-indicted-on-bank-wire-fraud-charges/article_c46a657f-d7e8-572a-a5dd-18d0807dbbfd.html)
6. *May 6, Long Island Newsday* – (New York) **5 LIers indicted in \$30M mortgage fraud.** The head of Garden City-based HTFC Corp. and 5 others were charged May 6 for allegedly inflating the value of 19 properties in Nassau and Suffolk counties, obtaining mortgages based on the fraudulent values, and then reselling the mortgages in order to obtain around \$30 million.  
Source: <http://www.newsday.com/long-island/30-million-bank-fraud-run-out-of-htfc-corp-in-garden-city-leads-to-6-indictments-court-papers-say-1.7935665>
7. *May 6, WXIA 11 Atlanta* – (National) **'Real Housewives of Atlanta' spouse guilty in fraud case.** An Atlanta man pleaded guilty May 6 to participating in a fraud scheme which used stolen checks to defraud over 50 victims of \$2.3 million. The group also used fraudulent claims against the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development using stolen identities in 11 States and obtained fraudulent auto loans.  
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/life/people/2014/05/06/reality-show-cast-member-guilty-in-fraud-scheme/8784677/>

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

8. *May 7, San Bernardino Sun* – (California) **All lanes of 15 Freeway in Hesperia reopened after bridge fire.** Both sides of the 15 Freeway in Hesperia, reopened May 6 after a 34-hour closure due to a fire on the Ranchero Road overpass that was

accidentally started when a contractor was using a blowtorch.

Source: <http://www.dailybulletin.com/general-news/20140507/all-lanes-of-15-freeway-in-hesperia-reopened-after-bridge-fire>

9. *May 7, KPIX 5 San Francisco* – (California) **Teen hospitalized after 100 MPH chase, crash on Highway 680 overnight.** The California Highway Patrol closed two southbound lanes of Interstate Highway 680 and an offramp in Danville, California, for over 3 hours May 6 after a man allegedly led police on a high-speed chase in a stolen vehicle. The man was in critical condition after crashing the vehicle following the chase.

Source: <http://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2014/05/07/teen-hospitalized-after-100-mile-per-hour-chase-crash-on-highway-680-overnight-run-accident-danville/>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

10. *May 5, Bridgewater Township Courier News* – (New Jersey) **Feds: Franklin vitamin maker Rasi Laboratories endangered workers, faces \$210,000 penalty.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Rasi Laboratories in Franklin Township after it failed to correct hazardous conditions and failed to implement an injury and illness prevention program as ordered by the agency following a 2012 inspection. Proposed penalties against the dietary supplements manufacturer totaled \$210,000.

Source: <http://www.mycentraljersey.com/article/20140505/NJNEWS/305050048/Feds-Franklin-vitamin-maker-Rasi-Laboratories-endangered-workers-faces-210-000-penalty>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

11. *May 7, Quincy Herald-Whig* – (Illinois) **\$1.3 million will pay costs to elevate pumps, repair equipment damaged in 2013 flood.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency awarded a nearly \$1.3 million grant to the Quincy wastewater treatment plant in Illinois to repair damage caused to the plant by severe storms and flooding in April 2013.

Source: <http://www.whig.com/story/25445371/13-million-fema-grant-will-go-toward-repairs-to-quincy-wastewater-plant>

12. *May 6, WCSC 5 Charleston* – (South Carolina) **Water outage in place for W. Ashley neighborhood as crews repair water main break.** About 150 residents in the Hickory Hills subdivision in West Ashley experienced a temporary water outage May 6 after contractors performing a street widening operation broke an 8-inch water main. A 24-hour boil order was put in effect by Charleston Water System officials.

Source: <http://www.live5news.com/story/25446291/water-main-break-on-bees-ferry->

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

13. *May 7, WWJ 62 Detroit* – (Michigan) **10 Detroit schools closed due to power outages.** Detroit Public School officials announced the closure of 10 schools in the city due to issues with the public lighting system which caused the schools to lose power.  
Source: <http://detroit.cbslocal.com/2014/05/07/10-detroit-schools-closed-due-to-power-outages/>
14. *May 6, KSDK 5 St. Louis* – (International) **Area college student accused in government hacking.** Officials believe an Illinois community college student and a member of the U.S. Navy conspired to hack into the computer systems of more than 30 public and private organizations including the U.S. Navy, the U.S. National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, as well as a number of universities nationwide. Investigators reported that the pair hacked into computer systems to steal identities, obstruct justice, and damage a protected computer.  
Source: <http://www.ksdk.com/story/news/crime/2014/05/06/daniel-krueger-government-hacking/8762447/>
15. *May 6, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **Loads of trash illegally dumped in NJ state parks; 4 charged.** The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection charged four men with illegally dumping large amounts of trash in State Parks and other wildlife areas as part of the department's program targeting illegal dumping in the State.  
Source:  
[http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2014/05/loads\\_of\\_trash\\_illegally\\_dumped\\_in\\_nj\\_state\\_parks\\_4\\_charges.html](http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2014/05/loads_of_trash_illegally_dumped_in_nj_state_parks_4_charges.html)
16. *May 6, WJLA 7 Washington, D.C.* – (Virginia) **Stafford County school partially evacuated after herbicide sprayed near air vents.** Stafford County Fire and Rescue units responded to North Stafford High School in Virginia May 6 after 17 students reported feeling ill due to a strange odor in the school. The school was partially evacuated and ventilated for 3 hours while four students were transported to an area hospital after crews determined that a contractor had sprayed herbicide near the fresh-air intakes for the school's HVAC system.  
Source: <http://www.wjla.com/articles/2014/05/stafford-county-school-partially-evacuated-after-herbicide-sprayed-near-air-vents-102859.html>

17. *May 6, KNXV 15 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Chandler police: 16-year-old released to parents, no charges filed in bomb hoax against school.** Chief Hill Academy in Chandler, Arizona, and a nearby apartment complex were evacuated for more than 4 hours May 6 after a student showed a threatening text message to the school’s principal from another student. Police searched the school and found two hoax devices and took the student into custody after finding a third device inside his home.  
Source: <http://www.abc15.com/web/knxv/news/region-southeast-valley/chandler/chandler-school-evacuated-after-threat-student-apprehended-with-possible-explosive-devices>
18. *May 5, Tulsa World* – (Oklahoma) **Gov. declares state of emergency for Oklahoma, issues burn ban order for 36 counties.** Oklahoma’s governor placed 36 counties under a burn ban and declared a state of emergency due to wildfires that spread across the State beginning May 3.  
Source: [http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/state/gov-mary-fallin-declares-state-of-emergency-for-oklahoma-issues/article\\_20fea3ba-d4a0-11e3-8567-0017a43b2370.html](http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/state/gov-mary-fallin-declares-state-of-emergency-for-oklahoma-issues/article_20fea3ba-d4a0-11e3-8567-0017a43b2370.html)

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## **Information Technology Sector**

19. *May 7, Softpedia* – (International) **Syrian Electronic Army hijacks WSJ Twitter accounts.** Hacktivists affiliated with the Syrian Electronic Army group gained control over four Twitter accounts belonging to the Wall Street Journal May 6 for a time before the owners of the accounts regained control.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Syrian-Electronic-Arm-Hijacks-WSJ-Twitter-Accounts-440924.shtml>
20. *May 7, Softpedia* – (International) **Ruby on Rails updated to prevent hackers from stealing files from application server.** Updates for three versions of Ruby on Rails were released, closing a serious vulnerability that could allow an attacker to retrieve arbitrary files from the Rails application server using a specially crafted request. Users were advised to update their installations as soon as possible.  
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Ruby-on-Rails-Updated-to-Prevent-Hackers-from-Stealing-Files-from-Application-Server-441003.shtml>
21. *May 7, Threatpost* – (International) **CryptoLocker ransomware moves to Android.** A security researcher reported that an Android variant of the CryptoLocker ransomware is being sold by the group responsible for the Reveton ransomware. The ransomware is spread when users visit compromised domains that use social engineering to prompt

them to install a malicious APK that contains CryptoLocker.

Source: <http://threatpost.com/cryptolocker-ransomware-moves-to-android/105937>

22. *May 6, Threatpost* – (International) **Dropbox patches shared links privacy vulnerability.** Dropbox closed a vulnerability in its shared links feature that could potentially allow third party access to shared documents.

Source: <http://threatpost.com/dropbox-patches-shared-links-privacy-vulnerability/105924>

23. *May 6, SC Magazine* – (International) **CryptorBit demands \$500 Bitcoin ransom.** A researcher at KnowBe4, LLC identified a new ransomware known as CryptorBit that encrypts victims' files and demands a ransom, similar to the CryptoLocker ransomware.

Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/cryptorbit-demands-500-bitcoin-ransom/article/345713/>

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## Communications Sector

24. *May 7, Mt. Vernon Register-News* – (Illinois) **Charter suffers outage.** Southern Illinois Charter Communications customers experienced a service outage for several hours May 6 after a main switch in a fire panel for equipment malfunctioned, causing technicians to replace the switch.

Source: <http://www.register-news.com/local/x2117376700/Charter-suffers-outage>

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

25. *May 7, Tampa Tribune* – (Florida) **Residents displaced after Carrollwood apartment fire.** A 2-alarm fire broke out May 6 at the Cypress Lake Apartments in Carrollwood, damaging 12 units and displacing 40 residents. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Source: <http://tbo.com/news/breaking-news/residents-displaced-after-carrollwood-apartment-fire-20140507/>

26. *May 6, San Antonio Express-News* – (Texas) **Hazardous spill occurs at East Side**

**truck stop.** About 200 gallons of highly-concentrated acetic acid leaked from a semi-truck at a San Antonio truck stop off of Interstate 10 East, prompting a HAZMAT response that took several hours before the area was cleaned. Officials partially evacuated the truck stop and ordered patrons of a restaurant to shelter in place during the incident.

Source: <http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local/article/Hazardous-spill-forces-shutdown-evacuations-in-5458575.php>

27. *May 6, KTVT 11 Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Irving apartment complex destroyed by fire.**

Officials believe that high winds fueled a fire that began near a fence and caused it to jump to the Britain Place Townhomes apartment complex in Irving May 5. The fire damaged all 18 units in the complex and displaced 33 residents.

Source: <http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2014/05/06/irving-apartment-complex-destroyed-by-fire/>

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