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- An explosion and fire at Johnson Brass & Machine Foundry in Saukville, Wisconsin, May 19 injured seven workers and caused the evacuation of the facility. – *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel* (See item [2](#))
- Credit Suisse pleaded guilty and agreed to pay a \$2.6 billion settlement May 19 in response to U.S. Department of Justice charges that the bank helped U.S. clients to evade taxes through 2009. – *CNN Money* (See item [4](#))
- A Danville, California businessman was charged May 19 with allegedly running a mortgage fraud scheme that tricked banks into approving loans, leading to \$150 million in losses. – *KTVU 2 Oakland* (See item [7](#))
- Approximately 300,000 gallons of sewage spilled into a tributary of Gunpowder Falls in Baltimore County, Maryland, after a manhole cover was removed and vandalized, causing rocks to block a 12-inch sewer line. – *Baltimore Brew* (See item [18](#))

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

1. *May 19, KTTC 10 Rochester* – (Minnesota) **Prairie Island generator shut down for repairs.** The operators of the Prairie Island Nuclear Plant near Red Wing shut down the plant's Unit 2 reactor May 18 after an obstruction in a pump's drain piping was found. Repairs were expected to be completed within a few days.
Source: <http://www.wxow.com/story/25556904/2014/05/19/prairie-island-generator-shut-down-for-repairs>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *May 19, Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Explosion injures seven workers at Saukville foundry.** An explosion and fire at Johnson Brass & Machine Foundry in Saukville May 19 injured seven workers and caused the evacuation of the facility. State fire officials are investigating the cause of the explosion.
Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/explosion-injures-workers-in-saukville-b99273894z1-259857381.html>
3. *May 19, Morganton News Herald* – (North Carolina) **Chemical spill at Sypris results in 1 injury.** One worker was injured May 16 at the Sypris Technologies facility in Morganton after a nitric acid spill. The plant was evacuated while the spill was contained to a lab and neutralized by a HAZMAT team.
Source: http://www.morganton.com/news/chemical-spill-at-sypris-results-in-injury/article_81ea387a-df9e-11e3-b97f-0017a43b2370.html

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

4. *May 19, CNN Money* – (International) **Credit Suisse pleads guilty in tax evasion case.** Credit Suisse pleaded guilty and agreed to pay a \$2.6 billion settlement May 19 in response to U.S. Department of Justice charges that the bank helped U.S. clients to evade taxes through 2009.
Source: <http://money.cnn.com/2014/05/19/news/companies/credit-suisse/index.html>
5. *May 19, WPLG 10 Miami* – (Florida) **North Miami mayor charged in \$8 million mortgage fraud scheme.** The mayor of North Miami was charged May 19 with being involved in an alleged \$8 million mortgage fraud scheme that used a radio show to recruit straw buyers for 20 properties.
Source: <http://www.local10.com/news/north-miami-mayor-to-be-charged-with-mortgage-fraud/26052986>
6. *May 19, Help Net Security* – (International) **Researchers discover critical flaws in the Chip and PIN system.** Researchers at Cambridge University identified two vulnerabilities in the Europay, MasterCard, and Visa (EMV) ‘chip and PIN’ payment card system that could allow attackers to carry out “pre-play” attacks in order to commit ATM or point of sale (POS) fraud. One vulnerability involves poor random number generation that could be predicted and used for ATM withdrawal, while the second is a protocol failure that could enable malware or a man-in-the-middle (MitM) attack to replace randomly generated numbers with ones chosen by the attacker.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=16881>
7. *May 19, KTVU 2 Oakland* – (California) **Danville man arrested in \$150 million mortgage fraud scheme.** A Danville, California businessman was charged May 19 with allegedly running a mortgage fraud scheme that tricked banks into approving loans, leading to \$150 million in losses.
Source: <http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/crime-law/danville-man-arrested-150-million-mortgage-fraud-s/nfzRF/>
8. *May 19, Chicago Sun-Times* – (Illinois) **Six charged in \$22.8 million mortgage fraud scheme at South Loop condo building.** A real estate developer and five others were charged in an indictment released May 15 with allegedly helping buyers fraudulently obtain 60 mortgages for properties at the Vision on State condominium complex in Chicago, resulting in \$22.8 million in losses to lenders.
Source: <http://voices.suntimes.com/news/breaking-news/six-charged-in-22-8-million-mortgage-fraud-scheme-at-south-loop-condo-building/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *May 20, Honolulu Star-Advertiser* – (Hawaii) **Police say speed was factor in fiery North Shore crash.** Honolulu emergency officials closed Kamehameha Highway in both directions for more than 4 hours May 19 after a vehicle struck a utility pole and

burst into flames, killing the driver on Paalaa Uka Pupukea Road.

Source:

http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/20140519_Accident_shuts_Kam_Highway_from_Kamananui_Road_to_JP_Leong_Highway.html

10. *May 19, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **Allegiant flight evacuated in Arizona over smell.** The Federal Aviation Administration is investigating after passengers on Allegiant Air Flight 142 were evacuated using emergency slides May 19 at the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport after the pilot reported smelling an unknown chemical prior to departing for Wichita, Kansas.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/allegiant-flight-evacuated-in-arizona-over-smell>

11. *May 19, Orange County Register; Southern Counties News Service* – (California) **Corona man dies in early-morning 91 crash.** All eastbound lanes of the 91 Freeway in Anaheim were closed for several hours May 18 by the California Highway Patrol after a pickup truck rear-ended a car, killing the driver of the car.

Source: <http://www.ocregister.com/articles/driver-614740-crash-volkswagen.html>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

12. *May 19, Food Safety News* – (National) **Hummus, dip products recalled for possible Listeria contamination.** Lansal Inc., doing business as Hot Mama's Foods, announced May 19 that it voluntarily issued a recall for approximately 14,860 pounds of hummus and dip products due to possible Listeria monocytogenes contamination. The recall was initiated after routine testing by the Texas Department of Health revealed the potential for contamination.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2014/05/hummus-dip-products-recalled-for-possible-listeria-contamination>

13. *May 19, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **WhiteWave Foods issues allergy alert on undeclared almondmilk in half gallon Silk Light Original Soymilk containers.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced May 19 that WhiteWave Foods voluntarily recalled 21,402 half gallon units of its Silk Light Original Soymilk due to undeclared almondmilk. The recall was issued because of an inadvertent error related to using the wrong carton packaging.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm397934.htm>

14. *May 19, WDBJ 7 Roanoke* – (Virginia) **Grease fire temporarily closes Roanoke County McDonald's.** A McDonald's in Roanoke County, Virginia, was closed for 1 – 2 days while crews clean the restaurant following a fire that started behind one of the kitchen fryers May 19. No one was injured and officials stated that the fire was contained by a system that dumps the necessary chemicals to extinguish grease fires.

Source: <http://www.wdbj7.com/news/local/firefighters-responding-to-mcdonalds-fire-in-roanoke-county/26056218>

15. *May 18, KGPE 47 Fresno; KSEE 24 Fresno* – (California) **Hazmat situation at local Foster Farms plant.** HAZMAT crews responded to a Foster Farms facility in Fresno May 17 after a relief valve opened and released ammonia into the air. The plant was temporarily closed due to the leak and operations were expected to resume by May 19. Source: <http://www.yourcentralvalley.com/story/d/story/hazmat-situation-at-local-foster-farms-plant/25634/6dHzTbk7nkO7n-7herj1NQ>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

16. *May 19, Bergen County Record* – (New Jersey) **Ravens are gone, and Fair Lawn gets OK to resume painting water tower.** Officials will restart plans to refurbish Fair Lawn's water tower in New Jersey after the project was put on hold in April due to a nest of ravens situated under the tower protected by federal law. The Bergen County Audubon Society notified officials May 19 that the ravens were gone. Source: <http://www.northjersey.com/towns/ravens-clear-out-and-town-project-can-proceed-1.1018821>
17. *May 19, Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **E. coli found in water at Blue Mounds State Park.** Park officials at Blue Mounds State Park in Luverne reported May 19 that the water system tested positive for E. coli May 12 and is not safe for consumption. The park advised visitors to bring their own drinking water. Source: <http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2014/05/19/e-coli-found-in-water-at-blue-mounds-state-park/>
18. *May 19, Baltimore Brew* – (Maryland) **Sewer spill in Baltimore County is linked to vandalism.** Approximately 300,000 gallons of sewage spilled into Gunpowder Falls in Baltimore County after a manhole cover was removed and vandalized, causing rocks to block a 12-inch sewer line, discharging raw sewage into a tributary. Officials are monitoring the water quality. Source: <https://www.baltimorebrew.com/2014/05/19/sewer-spill-in-baltimore-county-is-linked-to-vandalism/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

19. *May 19, KSHB 41 Kansas City* – (Missouri) **Medical records found blowing in wind outside Research Hospital.** Research Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri, is investigating after an individual found about 70 patients' records May 19 scattered outside the hospital, potentially exposing personal and medical records of former patients of Midwest Women's Healthcare Specialists. Source: <http://www.kshb.com/news/local-news/medical-records-lost-outside-research-hospital>

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Government Facilities Sector

20. *May 20, KTUU 2 Anchorage* – (Alaska) **Funny River, Tyonek wildfires grow rapidly.** Crews worked to contain the Funny River Fire and the Tyonek Fire that burned about 2,850 acres combined near Soldotna by May 19.
Source: <http://www.ktuu.com/news/news/wildfire-near-soldotna-grows-crews-put-out-smaller-blaze/26068460>
21. *May 20, WECT 6 Wilmington* – (North Carolina) **All students released from hospital following Monday's bus accident.** Eight students along with two drivers were injured in an accident involving a Brunswick County Schools bus and a car near the intersection of Highway 211 and Midway Road in North Carolina May 19. Officials are investigating the accident.
Source: <http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/25556449/update-10-injured-in-school-bus-accident-1-with-serious-injuries>
22. *May 19, Erie Times-News* – (Pennsylvania) **Data breach affects LECOM students.** Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) along with Hubbard-Bert Inc., a company that provides health insurance to LECOM students, reported that an unknown number of students' names and Social Security numbers were accidentally posted on the Internet in April and accessed by Google's search engine. Officials worked with Google to remove the names and numbers from their Web servers and are continuing to investigate the incident.
Source: <http://www.goerie.com/data-breach-affects-lecom-students>
23. *May 19, WOOD 8 Grand Rapids* – (Michigan) **District: All-clear given for Dorr Elementary.** Students were evacuated for nearly 4 hours from Dorr Elementary School in Dorr Township May 19 after a suspicious package was found on campus. Police searched the school and cleared the scene after no explosives were found.
Source: <http://woodtv.com/2014/05/19/dorr-elementary-students-evacuated/>
24. *May 19, WCBS 2 New York City* – (New York) **Queens school bus crash leaves 7 children, 1 adult injured.** An accident involving a school bus left 7 children and 1 adult injured May 19 when the bus crashed into a pole in the Queens neighborhood of New York City. Authorities are investigating the incident.
Source: <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2014/05/19/cbs-2-queens-school-bus-crash-leaves-7-children-1-adult-injured/>

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Emergency Services Sector

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Information Technology Sector

25. *May 20, Help Net Security* – (International) **Fascinating MiniDuke backdoor hits again.** ESET researchers identified a new variant of the MiniDuke Assembler-based backdoor. The new variant uses a Word RTF memory corruption vulnerability to deliver the backdoor, and contains new features including a Jscript component that contacts a command and control server via Twitter.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2769
26. *May 20, Help Net Security* – (International) **Angler exploit kit starts wielding Silverlight exploits.** Researchers at Cisco reported an increase in the number of exploit kits adding Silverlight vulnerabilities to their capabilities, with a large increase in traffic being directed to sites hosting the Angler exploit, which then attempt to exploit a Silverlight memory disclosure vulnerability.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2770
27. *May 19, SC Magazine* – (International) **‘Infinity’ exploit kit targets IE, Firefox, Opera to deliver malware.** Researchers at IntelCrawler identified a new exploit kit known as Infinity being sold on underweb markets which targets vulnerabilities in the Internet Explorer (IE), Firefox, and Opera browsers, as well as plug-ins such as Adobe Flash, in order to upload malware.
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/infinity-exploit-kit-targets-ie-firefox-opera-to-deliver-malware/article/347590/>

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

28. *May 20, Reuters* – (National) **Sprint to pay \$7.5M in record US settlement for unwanted calls.** Sprint Corporation agreed to pay \$7.5 million to settle allegations that it did not spare consumers from unwanted telemarketing calls, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) reported May 19. The case marks the largest “Do-Not-Call” settlement the agency had ever reached and also requires Sprint to implement a plan to ensure compliance with FCC requirements.
Source: <http://www.prairiebizmag.com/event/article/id/19202/>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

29. *May 20, San Francisco Chronicle* – (California) **Steel subcontractor cited in Mission Bay fire.** Fire officials reported May 19 that Petaluma-based TC Steel, a steel

subcontractor, was cited and fined \$1,000 in connection with a March 11 fire that leveled a 172-unit residential complex that was under construction in the Mission Bay neighborhood of San Francisco and caused an estimated \$40 million in damage. Investigators reported that the fire likely began from sparks that came from cutting and welding work being performed by the subcontractor at the construction site.

Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Steel-subcontractor-cited-in-Mission-Bay-fire-5490446.php>

30. *May 20, KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **Robbers open fire inside Family Dollar in north Harris County.** Authorities are investigating after two Family Dollar stores in Houston and Harris County, Texas, were robbed and a suspect opened fire in one store May 19. No injuries were reported, and police searched and cleared the scene after the suspects had already left.
Source: <http://www.khou.com/news/crime/Robbers-open-fire-while-demanding-cash-inside-Family-Dollar-store-259920841.html>
31. *May 19, KVIA 7 El Paso* – (Texas) **Roof collapse downtown leads to evacuation of nearby businesses.** A partial roof collapse at an unoccupied commercial building in El Paso prompted the evacuation of 3 nearby businesses after officials deemed the area unsafe and shut off utilities during clean-up efforts. Tenants of the nearby businesses will not be allowed back into their stores until officials conduct an inspection of the building and complete an engineering report.
Source: <http://www.kvia.com/news/large-fire-downtown/26058198>
32. *May 19, KING 5 Seattle* – (Washington) **Fire destroys two Sequim businesses.** A building housing a consignment store and a restaurant was deemed a total loss after a fire broke out in the attic of the structure in Clallam County May 19.
Source: <http://www.king5.com/news/Fire-destroys-two-Sequim-businesses-259882901.html>
33. *May 19, WJCL 22 Savannah* – (Georgia) **Home Depot back open Monday after fire temporarily closes store.** A Home Depot store in Savannah reopened May 19 after it was evacuated and closed May 18 due to a fire inside the building.
Source: <http://wjcl.com/2014/05/18/fire-crews-respond-to-home-depot-blaze/>
34. *May 19, Columbia The State* – (South Carolina) **Weekend apartment fire leaves 17 homeless.** Officials believe that a child playing with a cigarette sparked a fire at the Pine Haven Villas Apartments in Columbia, South Carolina May 18, displacing 17 residents and causing \$90,000 in damage.
Source: <http://www.thestate.com/2014/05/19/3453926/columbia-child-playing-with-cigarette.html>

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Dams Sector

35. *May 19, WXIA 11 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Crews battle fire at Allatoona Dam.**

Emergency crews battled a fire at the Lake Allatoona Dam on Lake Allatoona in Bartow County May 19 after a breaker failed following scheduled downtime.
Source: <http://www.11alive.com/story/news/local/2014/05/19/allatoona-dam-fire/9299005/>

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