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## 22 May 2014

### Top Stories

- A bus overturned on Interstate 10 in Blythe, California May 21, killing 4 people, injuring at least 7 others, and causing the highway to be closed in both directions for several hours. – *Associated Press* (See item [7](#))
- Thirty-seven people from 18 States were infected between January and May with a strain of Salmonella Typhimurium after coming in contact with contaminated frozen feeder mice packaged by Reptile Industries Inc. – *Food Safety News* (See item [13](#))
- Crews worked May 21 to contain a wildfire that began May 20 in Coconino National Forest near Sedona, Arizona and burned at least 1,000 acres, triggering the evacuation of Coconino County residents and prompting part of State Route 89A to close indefinitely. – *KTAR 92.3 FM Glendale; Associated Press* (See item [21](#))
- eBay advised all users to change their passwords after it detected an intrusion that compromised a database containing encrypted passwords and other non-financial data. – *Softpedia* (See item [27](#))

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Nothing to report

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## Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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## Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

1. *May 20, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **Vibrating pump prompts shutdown of Beaver Valley nuclear reactor.** Operators at the Beaver Valley Power Station in Shippingport shut down the plant's Unit 2 reactor May 20 as it was returning from a refueling outage due to a pump that was vibrating. Workers found no problems and then began the restart process.  
Source: <http://triblive.com/news/adminpage/6145551-74/shut-nuclear-reactor>
2. *May 20, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **New Mexico says 57 nuke containers could be threat.** The Secretary of the New Mexico Environment Department stated that 57 barrels of radioactive waste originating from the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and deposited at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad potentially pose a substantial threat to public health, and the Secretary issued an order requiring the LANL to submit a plan for securing the containers within 2 days.  
Source: <http://www.kfoxtv.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/new-mexico-says-57-nuke-containers-could-threat-4951.shtml>

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## Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *May 20, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **GM issues more recalls, this time for 2.42 million vehicles.** General Motors issued recalls May 20 for a total of 2.42 million vehicles of several models from the 2000-2015 model years for four separate issues.  
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/autos/la-fi-hy-autos-gm-another-recall-20140520-story.html>
4. *May 20, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Massachusetts) **After explosion, US Department of Labor's OSHA cites 3-D printing firm for exposing workers to combustible metal powder, electrical hazards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Powderpart Inc., for one willful and nine serious violations at its Andover facility following an inspection prompted by a November 5, 2013 explosion and fire. Proposed fines totaled \$64,400.  
Source:

[https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=26019](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26019)

5. *May 20, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Wisconsin) **US Department of Labor’s OSHA proposes \$51,800 in fines for Power Coatings for failing to protect workers from toxic chemical hazards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Safety Administration cited Power Coatings LLC for 14 serious safety violations at its Janesville facility. Proposed penalties totaled \$51,800.

Source:

[https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=26034](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26034)

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

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## **Financial Services Sector**

6. *May 21, KXAN 36 Austin* – (Texas) **Round Rock cashier linked to credit card skimming scam, police say.** Police in Round Rock arrested a cashier at an undisclosed restaurant for allegedly using a skimming device to collect customers’ payment card data, and believe that the cashier was recruited and promised payment for the data. Police stated that three others have also been arrested and more arrests are expected.

Source: <http://kxan.com/2014/05/20/restaurant-cashier-linked-to-credit-card-skimming-scam-police-say/>

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

7. *May 21, Associated Press* – (California) **Spilled cargo causes bus crash that kills 4.** An El Paso-Los Angeles Limousine Express Inc. bus overturned, sliding across the shoulder and down an embankment on Interstate 10 in Blythe, killing 4 people and seriously injuring at least 7 others after the bus either swerved or struck a load of steel pipes left on the highway from a previous semi-truck that had jackknifed. All interstate lanes were closed for several hours after two other vehicles in the eastbound lanes also crashed.

Source: <http://www.fox19.com/story/25574861/4-dead-several-injured-in-california-bus-crash>

8. *May 21, WBBM 2 Chicago* – (Illinois) **Severe storms bring flooding, damage from hail and lightning.** Powerful storms in the Chicago area May 20 caused flooding along roadways, forced the cancellation of more than 115 flights at O’Hare International

Airport, and closed all but one outbound lane on Interstate 55 near County Line Road due to standing water.

Source: <http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2014/05/21/severe-storms-bring-flooding-damage-from-hail-and-lightning/>

9. *May 21, KXII 12 Sherman* – (Texas) **Train derails in Gainesville.** Authorities are investigating a Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corp. train derailment in Gainesville, Texas, that caused between 20 to 100 cars to go off the track May 20. The derailment knocked out power to nearby homes and police advised residents to avoid the area during cleanup efforts.  
Source: <http://www.kxii.com/home/headlines/Train-derails-in-Gainesville-260056671.html>
10. *May 20, KMTV 3 Omaha* – (Iowa) **Hydrogen peroxide leaks onto I-29 and shuts it down for hours.** All lanes of Interstate 29 in Council Bluffs were closed for several hours May 20 after hydrogen peroxide spilled from a semi-truck onto the interstate. Crews cleaned up the spill and the Iowa State Patrol is investigating the incident.  
Source: <http://www.jrn.com/kmtv/news/Hydrogen-Peroxide-Leaks-onto-I-29-and-Shuts-it-Down-for-Hours-260052291.html>
11. *May 20, Denver Post* – (Colorado; Utah) **Rock slide near Moffat Tunnel detours Amtrak passengers heading to Colorado, Utah.** Amtrak trains in Colorado and Utah were forced to detour routes through May 26 due to a rock slide near the Moffat Tunnel. Crews worked to remove loose and potentially loose rocks.  
Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/local-news/rock-slide-near-moffat-tunnel-detours-amtrak-passengers-heading-to-colorado-utah>
12. *May 19, Bloomberg News* – (Florida) **Miami port unveils \$900 million tunnel to ease drive to highways.** Miami-Dade County unveiled a \$900 million underwater tunnel May 19 which will give trucks leaving the port of Miami faster access to nearby highways. The tunnel is part of a \$2 billion capital-improvement plan at the port.  
Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-05-19/miami-port-unveils-900-million-tunnel-to-ease-drive-to-highways.html>

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

13. *May 20, Food Safety News* – (National) **37 Salmonella cases in 18 States linked to frozen feeder rodents.** The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced May 20 that 37 people from 18 States were infected between January 11 and May 13 with an outbreak strain of Salmonella Typhimurium after coming in contact with frozen feeder rodents packaged by Reptile Industries Inc., that were distributed to PetSmart stores nationwide. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued a warning May 20 advising against the use of frozen mice packaged by the

company since January 11 due to possible Salmonella contamination.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2014/05/cdc-reports-37-salmonella-cases-in-18-states-linked-to-frozen-feeder-rodents>

14. *May 20, WSAZ 3 Huntington* – (Ohio) **Meigs County residents indicted for crop insurance fraud.** Five Meigs County, Ohio residents were indicted by a federal grand jury for an allegedly applying for \$1,563,337 in fraudulent payments from the federal Non-Insured Crop Assistance Program after an investigation launched by federal officials August 2012 revealed the alleged scheme.  
Source: <http://www.wsaz.com/news/headlines/Meigs-County-Resident-Indicted-for-Crop-Insurance-Fraud-259985001.html>
15. *May 20, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Arkansas) **US Department of Labor's OSHA cites Tortillas Ricas LP for serious health and safety violations with \$48,300 in fines.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) cited Tortillas Ricas LP, doing business as Casa Rica Tortillas, for 13 serious safety and health violations at the company's Plainview facility following a February 2013 inspection under OSHA's National Emphasis Program on combustible dust. Proposed penalties totaled \$48,300.  
Source: [https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=26040](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26040)
16. *May 19, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Massachusetts; New Hampshire) **Middle East Bakery, Inc. issues allergy alert on undeclared milk in Market Basket Dairy-free, Gluten-free Pancakes.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced May 19 that Middle East Bakery of Lawrence, Massachusetts, issued a recall for all lots of its Market Basket Dairy-Free, Gluten-Free Pancakes due to undeclared milk. The products were sold in 14.4-ounce packages at Market Basket Supermarket Stores in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm398078.htm>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

17. *May 21, Roanoke Times* – (Virginia) **Major leak to be fixed at Roanoke's Crystal Spring Reservoir.** A utilities director for the Western Virginia Water Authority stated that Roanoke's Crystal Spring Reservoir is leaking an estimated 500 gallons of drinking water a minute due to cracks in the reservoir's concrete lining, costing the authority around \$250,000 annually. Water authority officials are planning a \$1.5 million project to reduce leakage.  
Source: [http://www.roanoke.com/news/local/roanoke/major-leak-at-roanoke-s-crystal-spring-reservoir/article\\_ecd8aba4-e083-11e3-a155-001a4bcf6878.html](http://www.roanoke.com/news/local/roanoke/major-leak-at-roanoke-s-crystal-spring-reservoir/article_ecd8aba4-e083-11e3-a155-001a4bcf6878.html)
18. *May 21, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (Pennsylvania) **Utility tells 6 Montco towns to boil water.** Pennsylvania American Water customers in six Montgomery County towns

were advised May 20 to boil their water as a precaution after water supplies ran low due to water filtration issues at a treatment plant in Norristown. The utility also issued mandatory conservation notices to 31,000 households due to the issues at the plant and delivered tankers of water to hospitals due to the low water supplies.

Source:

[http://www.philly.com/philly/business/20140521\\_Norristown\\_area\\_residents\\_warned\\_to\\_conserve\\_water.html](http://www.philly.com/philly/business/20140521_Norristown_area_residents_warned_to_conserve_water.html)

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

19. *May 20, Vancouver Columbian* – (Washington) **Hepatitis C testing advised for 936 hospital patients.** Clark County Public Health and PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center officials advised 936 previous hospital patients May 19 to get tested for hepatitis C after learning that a former hospital employee may have exposed them to the disease by taking hospital drugs for personal use. The patients received care from the former worker and were administered drugs during their time at the hospital.

Source: <http://www.columbian.com/news/2014/may/20/hepatitis-c-testing-advised-936-hospital-patients/>

20. *May 20, WSFA 12 Montgomery* – (Alabama) **Tuskegee VA evacuated after bomb threat.** Over 100 patients from three buildings at the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System East Campus in Tuskegee were evacuated for more than 4 hours May 20 due to a bomb threat. Police conducted a search and cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found.

Source: <http://www.wsfa.com/story/25569446/tuskegee-va-evacuated-after-bomb-threat>

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

21. *May 21, KTAR 92.3 FM Glendale; Associated Press* – (Arizona) **Wildfire roaring in canyon near Sedona.** Crews worked May 21 to contain a wildfire that began May 20 in Coconino National Forest near Sedona and burned at least 1,000 acres, prompting the evacuation of Coconino County residents as officials reported that over 100 businesses and homes were threatened by the blaze. State Route 89A was closed indefinitely between Fort Tuthill in Flagstaff and Sedona.

Source: <http://ktar.com/22/1733955/Fire-near-Slide-Rock-State-Park-spreads-to-450-acres>

22. *May 21, KYW 3 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Driver flees after striking school bus in southwest Philly.** Three students suffered minor injuries when a car crashed into a school bus May 21 in Philadelphia. Police are searching for the driver who fled the scene and continued to investigate the incident.

Source: <http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2014/05/21/driver-flees-after-striking-school-bus/>

[bus-in-southwest-philly/](#)

23. *May 20, U.S. Department of Justice* – (International) **U.S. Navy petty officer based in Japan pleads guilty in international bribery scandal.** A U.S. Navy petty officer pleaded guilty May 20 to charges alleging he accepted more than \$10,000 in cash, travel expenses, and consumer electronics from Singapore-based defense contractor Glenn Defense Marine Asia, which provided port services to U.S. Navy ships in the Asia Pacific region, in exchange for classified U.S. Navy information. A total of six individuals were charged in the scheme that cost the U.S. Navy more than \$20 million. Source: <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2014/May/14-crm-537.html>
24. *May 20, Kalamazoo Gazette* – (Michigan) **Bomb threat that evacuated Baseline Middle School in South Haven found to be false.** Baseline Middle School in South Haven was evacuated for 4 hours May 20 after the school received a written bomb threat. Police cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found and continued to investigate the incident. Source: [http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2014/05/bomb\\_threat\\_that\\_evacuated\\_bas.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2014/05/bomb_threat_that_evacuated_bas.html)
25. *May 20, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **6 students, 2 drivers injured in school bus crash.** An accident involving a school bus left 6 students and both drivers injured after a car hit the back of the bus May 20 in Landover, Maryland. Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/landover/2014/05/20/school-bus-crash-landover/9319889/>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

26. *May 20, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Volunteer firefighter surrenders on theft charges.** A firefighter was charged with stealing and selling \$30,000 worth of equipment from the Lower Southampton Fire Department in Pennsylvania where he volunteered. Local emergency officials discovered the missing items during a rescue call in April. Source: <http://6abc.com/news/volunteer-firefighter-surrenders-on-theft-charges/70064/>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

27. *May 21, Softpedia* – (International) **Security breach at eBay – change your passwords now.** eBay advised all users to change their passwords after it detected an intrusion that compromised a database containing encrypted passwords and other non-financial data. eBay stated that attackers were able to compromise a small number of employee login credentials between February and March, giving them access to eBay's corporate network.



Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Security-Breach-at-eBay-Change-Your-Passwords-Now-443257.shtml>

28. *May 21, IDG News Service* – (International) **Public utility compromised after brute-force attack, DHS says.** The Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) stated in a report that an undisclosed public utility was compromised via a brute-force attack on an Internet-facing host that used a simple password system. ICS-CERT determined that the utility's systems were likely exposed to numerous threats prior to the identified intrusion.

Source:

[http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9248473/Public\\_utility\\_compromised\\_after\\_brute\\_force\\_attack\\_DHS\\_says](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9248473/Public_utility_compromised_after_brute_force_attack_DHS_says)

29. *May 20, Threatpost* – (International) **Chrome 35 fixes 23 security flaws.** Google released version 35 of its Chrome browser, closing 23 security issues, 3 of which were rated as high-risk.

Source: <http://threatpost.com/chrome-35-fixes-23-security-flaws>

30. *May 20, SC Magazine* – (International) **Infections increasing with ransomware, Kovter.** Researchers at Damballa reported that infections of the Kovter ransomware doubled during April. The Kovter ransomware attempts to blackmail users into paying a ransom and can generate false browser history content to support its scam.

Source: <http://www.scmagazineuk.com/infections-increasing-with-ransomware-kovter/article/347801/>

### Internet Alert Dashboard

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## Communications Sector

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *May 21, KABB 29 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Fire crews battle 2-alarm apartment fire.** Arson investigators are trying to determine the cause of a 2-alarm fire that broke out at the Oaks of Northgate apartment complex in San Antonio and left about 30 residents displaced May 21.

Source: <http://www.foxsanantonio.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/fire-crews->



[battle-2alarm-apartment-fire-3941.shtml](#)

32. *May 20, SC Magazine* – (National) **Lowe's employee info accessible online for about 10 months.** Officials from Lowe's notified about 35,000 current and former employees May 19 that their personal information, including Social Security numbers, was inadvertently backed up to an unsecured computer by a third-party vendor and made accessible via the Internet between July 2013 and April 2014. The vendor blocked access to the data and initiated an investigation upon learning of the issue.  
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/lowes-employee-info-accessible-online-for-about-10-months/article/347676/>
33. *May 20, Reuters* – (Tennessee) **40-foot sinkhole swallows part of Tennessee football field.** Engineers are working to permanently close a 40-foot-wide and 40-foot-deep sinkhole that opened at Austin Peay State University's football field May 20 as construction crews tried to fill a smaller hole that was discovered during a modernization project at the university's stadium.  
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/05/20/us-usa-sinkhole-tennessee-idUSBREA4J0OI20140520>
34. *May 20, KAKE 10 Wichita* – (Kansas; California) **California company fined almost \$700,000 for violating Kansas No-Call Act.** Los Angeles-based Variable Marketing LLC was ordered by a Shawnee County, Kansas district court to pay \$691,500 in fees and penalties for violating the Kansas No-Call Act. The company contacted Kansas residents registered on the Do-Not-Call list, and attempted to sell auto insurance while fraudulently claiming to be with the Kansas Division of Motor Vehicles.  
Source: <http://www.kake.com/home/headlines/California-company-fined-almost-700000-for-violating-Kansas-No-Call-Act-259965331.html>

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## **Dams Sector**

35. *May 20, Associated Press* – (Georgia) **Army Corps of Engineers evaluating dam powerhouse.** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers officials in Georgia reported May 20 that water will be released from Lake Allatoona dam's spillway gates rather than generators during repairs after a May 19 fire caused by a breaker failure.  
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2014/05/20/3935445/army-corps-of-engineers-evaluating.html>

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