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- Pacific Gas and Electric Company was issued 28 new charges July 29 and face proposed fines exceeding \$3 billion in connection to the 2010 San Bruno, California pipeline explosion that killed 8 people and caused extensive damage to a neighborhood. – *Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- Lloyds Banking Group agreed to pay \$370 million in fines to U.S. and U.K. authorities to settle an investigation into the group's role in manipulating the London interbank offered rate (LIBOR). – *Reuters* (See item [6](#))
- A physician assistant and a certified nursing assistant both licensed in Florida were convicted July 28 for participating in a Medicare fraud scheme that totaled approximately \$200 million in fraudulent billings by American Therapeutic Corporation. – *U.S. Department of Justice* (See item [18](#))
- Six facilities on the University of California, Los Angeles campus were damaged after a 30-inch water pipe burst July 29 spilling 8 million gallons of water onto the roadway causing flooding and stranding at least 5 people. – *Associated Press* (See item [19](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *July 30, Associated Press* – (California) **PG&E charged with obstruction of justice over deadly 2010 gas pipeline explosion.** A federal grand jury issued new charges against Pacific Gas and Electric Company July 29 that included an obstruction of justice charge and 27 others for lying to federal investigators in connection to the 2010 San Bruno pipeline explosion that killed 8 people and caused extensive damage to a neighborhood. The company faces more than \$3 billion in total fines.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/07/30/pge-charged-with-obstruction-justice-over-deadly-2010-gas-pipeline-explosion/>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *July 30, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Kawasaki recalls Teryx4 recreational off-highway vehicles due to injury hazard.** Kawasaki announced a recall for around 11,000 model year 2012 and 2013 Teryx4 750 4x4 recreational off-highway vehicles due to the vehicles' floorboards potentially allowing debris to break through into the foot rest area, posing a hazard to the vehicle operator and front passenger.
Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/Recall-Alerts/2014/Kawasaki-Recalls-Teryx4-Recreational-Off-highway-Vehicles/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

3. *July 29, Defense News* – (National) **Some F-35 flight restrictions lifted.** U.S. Department of Defense officials reported July 29 that some flight restrictions on the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter fleet were lifted during the week of July 21, including speed restrictions that were relaxed from Mach 0.9 to Mach 1.6 and maneuverability restrictions that increased from 3Gs to 3.2 Gs. Authorities continue to inspect the fleet

and impose certain restrictions that were implemented after a June 23 fire that damaged an F-35A aircraft and led to a grounding of the fleet that lasted until July 15.

Source: <http://www.defensenews.com/article/20140729/DEFREG02/307290036/Some-F-35-Flight-Restrictions-Lifted>

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Financial Services Sector

4. *July 29, KXAN 36 Austin* – (Texas) **Credit card skimming ring stretched from Sunset Valley to Round Rock.** Police in Travis County arrested a woman July 25 on fraud charges for allegedly using a payment card skimmer to collect customers' card data from the Chipotle restaurant where she worked in Sunset Valley. A skimmer found in her possession contained 527 card numbers and police alleged that she was selling the numbers to a man arrested in April on similar charges.

Source: <http://kxan.com/2014/07/29/credit-card-skimming-ring-stretched-from-sunset-valley-to-round-rock/>

5. *July 29, WCBS 2 New York City* – (New York) **Customs agents seize more than \$200k in counterfeit cash at JFK.** Customs and Border Protection agents at a John F. Kennedy International Airport cargo facility in New York City reported that they seized over 2,000 counterfeit \$100 bills July 15-16 that were hidden in two shipments.

Source: <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2014/07/29/customs-agents-seize-more-than-200k-in-counterfeit-cash-at-jfk/>

6. *July 28, Reuters* – (International) **Lloyds Banking Group to pay \$370 million Libor rigging fines.** British financial institution Lloyds Banking Group agreed to pay \$370 million in fines to U.S. and U.K. authorities to settle an investigation into the group's role in manipulating the London interbank offered rate (LIBOR).

Source: <http://www.cnn.com/id/101860773>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *July 30, Associated Press; Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* – (Arkansas; Texas) **ExxonMobil restarts Pegasus pipeline closed after Mayflower oil spill; operating in Texas.** ExxonMobil reported July 30 that it restarted its Pegasus pipeline in Little Rock after shutting it down in 2013 due to a crude oil spill in Mayflower. The company stated that southern portions of the pipeline in Texas restarted July 9 after extensive safety and operational testing.

Source:

<http://www.tribtown.com/view/story/a069a1734f0e4dbdb158aaa38111a1d2/AR--Oil-Spill-Arkansas>

8. *July 30, WCTV 6 Thomasville* – (Florida) **Victims identified in deadly I-10 accident.** Three people were killed and one person was injured when a vehicle traveling

eastbound on Interstate 10 near Tallahassee collided with another vehicle, crossed over the median, and struck a semi-truck July 29 prompting the closure of westbound lanes several hours.

Source: <http://www.wctv.tv/home/headlines/I-10-Accident-269098211.html>

9. *July 30, KPHO 5 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Impairment suspected in injury crash that closed I-17.** Two people were injured while northbound lanes of Interstate 17 and three ramps in Phoenix were closed for approximately 5 hours July 30 after a suspected impaired driver struck a stalled vehicle on the shoulder lane pushing both vehicles onto the interstate.
Source: <http://www.kpho.com/story/26149071/impaired-driver-suspected-in-injury-crash-that-closes-i-17>
10. *July 30, WABC 7 New York City* – (New Jersey) **Terminal building at Port Elizabeth back open after gas leak; evacuation.** The Maher Container Terminal Building at Port Elizabeth in New Jersey reopened July 30 after closing for 15 hours due to a gas leak triggered by a water main break.
Source: <http://7online.com/news/terminal-building-at-port-elizabeth-back-open-after-gas-leak-/226659/>
11. *July 30, KSLA 12 Shreveport* – (Louisiana) **US 79 remains closed following hazmat tanker truck wreck in Caddo Parish.** U.S. Route 79 in Caddo Parish remained closed July 30 after a semi-truck carrying 4,150 gallons of aluminum sulfate water treated with anhydrous ammonia overturned and spilled all over the road and in nearby ditches when the driver ran off the road and crashed into a tree July 29.
Source: <http://www.ksla.com/story/26139518/us-79-remains-closed-following-hazmat-tanker-truck-wreck-in-caddo-parish>
12. *July 29, WTVD 11 Durham* – (North Carolina) **2 freight train cars derail near Morrisville, Amtrak service affected.** Amtrak service was halted for 3 hours July 29 after two Norfolk Southern train cars derailed spilling rocks over the tracks in Morrisville near the Wake-Durham County line.
Source: <http://abc11.com/news/amtrak-service-impacted-by-freight-train-issue-in-morrisville/227054/>
13. *July 29, WTAQ 1360 AM/97.5 FM Green Bay* – (Wisconsin) **State officials close Lake Mills rest area due to contaminated water.** Wisconsin officials announced that the State rest area on Interstate 94 in Lake Mills was closed indefinitely after routine testing found the water was contaminated with fecal coliform bacteria. Repairs to the public water system that serves the facility began July 28.
Source: <http://wtaq.com/news/articles/2014/jul/29/state-officials-close-lake-mills-rest-area-due-to-contaminated-water/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

14. *July 29, KXMB 12 Bismarck* – (North Dakota) **Farmer dies in grain bin accident.** A worker that was loosening grain inside a grain bin died when he became partially buried in the elevator on a farm in Napoleon, North Dakota, July 26.
Source: <http://www.kxnet.com/story/26141958/farmer-dies-in-grain-bin-accident>
15. *July 29, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Oregon; Washington; California) **Hummingbird Wholesale recalls Organic Raw Carob Powder for possible Salmonella contamination.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced July 29 that Hummingbird Wholesale recalled its Organic Raw Carob Powder due to possible human health risks. The recall was initiated after a supplier for the product notified the company that carob powder used during the manufacturing process may be contaminated with Salmonella.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm407221.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

16. *July 29, WTVB 1590 AM Coldwater* – (Michigan) **Water advisory in Coldwater lifted after wastewater spill into Sauk River last week.** A boil water advisory was lifted in the area between the Coldwater Board of Public Utilities wastewater treatment facility and the Rotary Park public access July 28 after tests results showed fecal coliform levels were normal. A power outage at the wastewater treatment facility the week of July 21 caused untreated sewage water to flow into the Sauk River prompting the advisory.
Source: <http://wtvbam.com/news/articles/2014/jul/29/water-advisory-in-coldwater-lifted-after-wastewater-spill-into-sauk-river-last-week/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

17. *July 29, Newport News Daily Press* – (Virginia) **Riverside announces security breach.** Riverside Health System in Newport News notified over 2,000 patients after an employee was charged in connection to a security breach at the health system's Cancer Specialists of Tidewater office. Investigators believe the former employee accessed the patients' records without authorization.
Source: <http://www.dailypress.com/health/dp-nws-security-breach-riverside-20140729,0,1160235.story>
18. *July 28, U.S. Department of Justice* – (Florida) **Physician assistant and certified**

nursing assistant convicted in \$200 million Medicare fraud scheme. A physician assistant and a certified nursing assistant both licensed in Florida were convicted by a federal jury July 28 for participating in a Medicare fraud scheme that totaled approximately \$200 million in fraudulent billings by American Therapeutic Corporation (ATC). The two individuals, along with co-conspirators took part in the scheme that stretched across seven ATC locations by submitting false claims to Medicare seeking reimbursement for mental health services that were not provided or were provided to ineligible patients.

Source: <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2014/July/14-crm-791.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

19. *July 30, Associated Press* – (California) **UCLA wades through damages from pipe flooding.** Six facilities on the University of California, Los Angeles campus were damaged after a 30-inch water pipe burst July 29 spilling 8 million gallons of water onto the roadway causing flooding and stranding at least 5 people. Utility crews reported July 30 that repairing the pipe could take several days.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/broken-water-main-floods-ucla-5-people-rescued>
20. *July 30, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Residents who fought ‘ripping’ El Portal fire share concerns.** Crews reached 34 percent containment July 29 of the 3,545-acre El Portal Fire burning near Yosemite National Park. Several homes remained evacuated in Foresta.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2014/07/29/4046578/it-was-just-nuts-residents-who.html>
21. *July 30, KBOI 670 AM Boise* – (Idaho) **Boise National Forest fires contained, most evacuations lifted.** Fire crews reached full containment July 28 of the Whiskey Complex and Mack fires in the Boise National Forest which combined, burned over 9,000 acres. Forest Road 395 remained closed and nearly all evacuation orders were lifted.
Source:
<http://www.670kboi.com/common/more.php?m=58&ts=1406605808&article=F3093D73169C11E4B51EFEFDADE6840A&mode=2>

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Emergency Services Sector

22. *July 29, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Le Roy Fire Department treasurer arrested, charged with stealing nearly \$50,000.** Authorities arrested the treasurer of the Le Roy Fire Department in Genesee County July 29 and charged him with stealing nearly \$50,000 from the department for personal use. An audit found that he forged signatures and made unauthorized transfers, withdrawals, and deposits from the department’s account, as well as from the firemen’s benevolent association.

Source: <http://www.buffalonews.com/city-region/genesee-county/le-roy-fire-department-treasurer-arrested-charged-with-stealing-nearly-50000-20140729>

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Information Technology Sector

23. *July 30, Softpedia* – (International) **Malicious Android apps can impersonate trusted ones.** Researchers at Bluebox Security reported a vulnerability present in Android versions below 4.4 (KitKat) can allow malicious apps to benefit from the access permissions of legitimate apps due to signatures issued from a legitimate app not being checked.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Malicious-Android-Apps-Can-Impersonate-Trusted-Ones-452659.shtml>
24. *July 30, Securityweek* – (International) **Tor warns of attack attempting to deanonymize users.** The Tor Project reported that an attack that could have broken users' anonymity on the Tor network was detected July 4 and may have been part of a research project. The attack used a combination of a Sybil attack and a traffic confirmation attack, and the vulnerabilities exploited were closed in a patch issued July 30.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/tor-warns-attack-attempting-deanonymize-users>
25. *July 30, IDG News Service* – (International) **Zero-day flaws found in Symantec's Endpoint Protection.** Offensive Security researchers reported finding three zero day vulnerabilities in Symantec's Endpoint Protection product that could allow a logged-in user to gain system access and perform attacks such as identifying domain administrator cache credentials or hash dumping.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9250047/Zero_day_flaws_found_in_Symantec_s_Endpoint_Protection
26. *July 30, Threatpost* – (International) **Trio of flaws fixed in Facebook Android app.** Facebook issued an update for its Android app that closes a vulnerability where an HTTP server used for video playback would accept requests from any client, leading to the potential for attacks to cause a denial of service (DoS) condition or transfer large amounts of data to run up charges on a victim's mobile bill.
Source: <http://threatpost.com/trio-of-flaws-fixed-in-facebook-android-app>
27. *July 29, Securityweek* – (International) **Many antivirus engines plagued by vulnerabilities: Researcher.** A researcher with Coseinc presenting at the SyScan 360 conference reported that 14 of 17 antivirus products tested contained at least one vulnerability due to a variety of factors. Some vulnerabilities have since been patched, while the researcher reported that others remain exploitable.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/many-antivirus-engines-plagued-vulnerabilities->

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28. *July 29, Securityweek* – (International) **70 percent of IoT devices vulnerable to cyberattacks: HP.** HP released a report on Internet of Things (IoT) devices and found that 70 percent of devices tested contained serious vulnerabilities, while 80 percent raised privacy concerns, among other findings.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/70-iot-devices-vulnerable-cyberattacks-hp>

29. *July 29, Softpedia* – (International) **Instagram account hijack code published.** A developer released a proof-of-concept that exploits the lack of HTTPS encryption in certain functions of the Instagram app for iOS that could allow an attacker on the same network to intercept session cookies and use them to take over Instagram accounts. Instagram parent company Facebook stated that they are aware of the issue and are working to find a solution.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Instagram-Account-Hijack-Code-Published-452658.shtml>

Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at soc@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

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. *July 29, KERO 23 Bakersfield*– (California) **Phone service outage in west Kern County.** A damaged cable knocked out Verizon landline phone and 9-1-1 services in Taft, McFarland, and Glenville in west Kern County July 29. Crews worked to repair the cut cable.
Source: <http://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/phone-service-outage-in-west-kern-county-072914>
31. *July 29, Stroudsburg Pocono Record* – (Pennsylvania) **Crews work to restore Internet, cable after fire at Luna Rossa Cafe.** Crews worked to repair by July 30 a damaged fiber optic cable in Gilbert after Internet service for PennTeleData customers and phone and cable service to Blue Ridge Cable and Palmerton Telephone customers was knocked out when a fire broke out at the Luna Rossa Cafe July 27 damaging the cable.
Source: <http://www.poconorecord.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20140729/NEWS/140729810/-1/news>
32. *July 29, Charleston Post and Courier* – (South Carolina) **Comcast restores service in Charleston County.** Internet, phone, and cable services were restored for Comcast

customers in parts of Charleston County, South Carolina, after a 6-hour outage July 28 due to a severed cable caused by a tree-trimming crew.

Source:

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140729/PC05/140729296/1177/comcast-restores-service-in-charleston-county>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

33. *July 30, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Chicago Home Depot cited for OSHA violations.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited a Chicago Home Depot store for six safety violations, including worker exposure to chemical burns and the lack of training and maintenance for industrial vehicles. Proposed penalties total \$110,700.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/breaking/chi-home-depot-osh-violations-20140730,0,4925604.story>
34. *July 29, WTMJ 4 Milwaukee* – (Wisconsin) **Scam may be to blame for glut of recent bomb threats.** The FBI is investigating after at least 10 businesses in 7 cities across Wisconsin received bomb threats since July 25, prompting several stores to evacuate. Authorities reported similarities in several cases and stated that a suspect allegedly calls the store and claims he is going to blow up the building unless an employee loads money onto a Green Dot prepaid debit card.
Source: <http://www.jrn.com/tmj4/news/Scam-may-be-to-blame-for-glut-of-recent-bomb-threats-269128781.html>
35. *July 29, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **All clear declared after suspicious package prompts Mother's Beach, hotel evacuation in Marina del Rey.** Police responded July 29 to reports of a suspicious package found near the swimming pool area of the Jamaica Bay Inn in Marina del Ray, prompting an evacuation of the hotel and the nearby area of Mother's Beach. The scene was cleared about 2 hours later after police determined the package did not contain an explosive device.
Source: <http://ktla.com/2014/07/29/all-clear-declared-after-suspicious-package-prompts-mothers-beach-hotel-evacuation-in-marina-del-rey/>

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