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- An Arrow Water LLC-owned pipeline near the town of Mandaree, North Dakota on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation leaked 3,000 barrels of brine August 22. – *Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- Two Columbus, Ohio men were indicted in federal court for allegedly engaging in a conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud by sending counterfeit money orders and cashier's checks as payment for goods advertised on Craigslist, causing over \$4.6 million in damages. – *Columbus Telegram* (See item [5](#))
- Police in Atlanta, Georgia, are searching for suspects who broke into Brown Middle School and stole 91 computers worth over \$200,000 August 17. – *WGCL 46 Atlanta* (See item [20](#))
- The personal information of more than 74,000 Comcast customers in California who had paid to have their details remain unlisted, including names, addresses, and phone numbers, was exposed due to a fault in an agreement with a third party that distributes and publishes Comcast residential directories. – *Softpedia* (See item [26](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *August 25, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **3,000 barrels of brine spills on Fort Berthold reservation.** The North Dakota Industrial Commission and the State Department of Health announced August 25 that an Arrow Water LLC-owned pipeline near the town of Mandaree on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation leaked 3,000 barrels of brine August 22. Authorities isolated the spill and cleanup efforts were underway.
Source: http://bismarcktribune.com/bakken/barrels-of-brine-spills-on-north-dakota-reservation/article_e44f74fe-2c91-11e4-8281-001a4bcf887a.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *August 26, Nuclear Street* – (Pennsylvania) **Uprate granted for Peach Bottom nuclear plant.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission granted permission to the operators of the Peach Bottom nuclear power plant near Lancaster to increase the output of the plant's reactors by 140 megawatts.
Source:
http://nuclearstreet.com/nuclear_power_industry_news/b/nuclear_power_news/archive/2014/08/26/uprate-granted-for-peach-bottom-nuclear-plant-082602.aspx

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *August 26, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Cree recalls LED light fixtures due to laceration hazard.** Cree Inc., announced a recall for around 10,000 LED High-Bay Luminaires light fixtures due to the potential for the glass lens on the fixtures to break, posing a laceration hazard.
Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/Recall-Alerts/2014/Cree-Recalls-LED-Light-Fixtures/>
4. *August 25, KTVI 2 St. Louis* – (Illinois) **Two killed, one injured in Granite City recycling plant explosion.** An explosion caused by a mortar round detonating killed two people and injured one other at Totall Metal Recycling in Granite City August 25. Explosives response personnel from Illinois and Missouri responded, as well as federal agencies to secure the facility following the explosion.

Source: <http://fox2now.com/2014/08/25/2-killed-following-plant-explosion-granite-city/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

5. *August 26, Columbus Telegram* – (National) **Two city men indicted in \$4M fraud scheme.** Two Columbus, Ohio men were indicted in federal court for allegedly engaging in a conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud by sending counterfeit money orders and cashier's checks as payment for goods advertised on Craigslist, causing over \$4.6 million in damages. The two men sent the counterfeit payments to Craigslist sellers around the country for amounts in excess of the goods purchased, and then directed victims to deposit the payments and return the excess money to the accused's bank accounts.

Source: http://columbustelegram.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/two-city-men-indicted-in-m-fraud-scam/article_f3921881-ec39-5062-9746-f9cc9cdf932a.html

6. *August 26, Softpedia* – (International) **Backoff PoS malware has at least eight variants.** Researchers at Symantec conducted an analysis of the Backoff point-of-sale (PoS) malware and identified eight variants, with differences in registry entries and values, command and control servers, and the variants' installation paths.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Backoff-PoS-Malware-Has-At-Least-Eight-Variants-456433.shtml>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *August 26, KDVR 31 Denver* – (Colorado) **Northbound I-25 reopens after semi rolls over; watch crews rescue passenger.** Northbound lanes of Interstate 25 in Denver reopened to traffic after being closed for more than 3 hours when a semi-truck rolled over and injured two individuals August 26.

Source: <http://kdvr.com/2014/08/26/northbound-i-25-closed-at-i-70-after-semi-truck-rolls-over/>

8. *August 26, WOIO 19 Shaker Heights* – (Ohio) **Deadly plane crash near Cuyahoga County Airport.** A small plane crashed and burst into flames shortly after takeoff from Cuyahoga County Airport August 25 killing the four passengers onboard.

Source: <http://www.wafb.com/story/26367658/plane-crash-at-cuyahoga-county-airport>

9. *August 25, KYTV 3 Springfield* – (Missouri) **Plane possibly leaking fuel lands safely in Springfield; passengers continue to Milwaukee.** An American Eagle flight carrying 50 passengers en route to Milwaukee from Dallas was forced to make an emergency landing in Springfield August 25 when the pilot reported a fuel leak from the right wing. Responders were standing by when the jet landed and did not find any evidence of a fuel leak after careful inspection.
Source: http://www.ky3.com/news/local/plane-leaking-fuel-lands-safely-in-springfield/21048998_27717680
10. *August 25, WLS 7 Chicago* – (Michigan) **Severe thunderstorms cause power outages, airport delays.** Severe thunderstorms left approximately 14,000 customers without power in the Chicago area August 25 and delayed nearly 500 flights out of O'Hare International Airport due to heavy rain and winds.
Source: <http://abc7chicago.com/weather/severe-thunderstorms-cause-power-outages-airport-delays/279889/>
11. *August 25, WWJ 62 Detroit* – (Michigan) **Overtaken semi-truck spills fuel and cargo onto SB US-23, causes freeway closure.** Southbound U.S. 23 at North Territorial Road in Washtenaw County remained closed August 26 after a semi-truck rolled over and leaked fuel onto the freeway. HAZMAT teams responded to the scene and worked to clean up the accident.
Source: <http://detroit.cbslocal.com/2014/08/25/overtaken-semi-truck-spills-fuel-and-cargo-onto-sb-us-23-causes-freeway-closure/>
12. *August 24, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (Arizona; California) **Fatal, fiery crash closes I-10E.** A suspect that fled from Arizona law enforcement officers collided head-on with a semi-truck on eastbound Interstate 10 in Blythe August 24 when he drove in the wrong direction, prompting the closure of eastbound lanes near the Arizona-California border for more than 8 hours.
Source: <http://www.pe.com/articles/blythe-748800-fatal-crash.html>
13. *August 22, KTVT 11 Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Southwest Airlines plane makes emergency landing at Love Field.** A Southwest Airlines flight headed to Austin-Bergstrom International Airport declared an emergency and returned to Dallas Love Field Airport safely August 22 when it blew a tire during takeoff. The 125 passengers on board the flight were moved to a new aircraft.
Source: <http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2014/08/22/southwest-airlines-plane-makes-emergency-landing-at-love-field/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

14. *August 24, WITN 7 Washington* – (North Carolina) **Man hospitalized after getting stuck in grain bin.** Firefighters responded to a farm in Lenoir County August 24 after

receiving reports of a man who was seriously injured when he became stuck in a JC Howard Grain Company grain bin. An employee released the man from the grain bin's auger before crews arrived and cut a hole in the side of the bin to free the individual.
Source: <http://www.witn.com/home/headlines/Man-Hospitalized-After-Being-Stuck-In-Grain-Bin-272490521.html>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

15. *August 26, KRIS 6 Corpus Christi* – (Arizona) **Workers killed by toxic fumes while stuck in sewer.** Two people were killed and one was hospitalized when they were overcome by toxic fumes while working in an underground sewer vault in Scottsdale August 25. It was later detected that there were high levels of hydrogen cyanide and hydrogen sulfide coming from the sewer.
Source: <http://www.kristv.com/news/workers-killed-by-toxic-fumes-while-stuck-in-sewer/>
16. *August 25, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana) **Boil water advisory issued for Bedico Creek subdivision in St. Tammany Parish.** A boil water advisory was issued for the Bedico Creek subdivision of St. Tammany Parish after a water main broke August 25. The order remains in effect until further notice.
Source: http://www.nola.com/politics/index.ssf/2014/08/boil_water_advisory_issued_for_2.html
17. *August 25, KOMO 4 Seattle* – (Washington) **Thurston Co. testing for water contamination after diesel spill.** Authorities are testing well water in seven Tumwater homes after a Tacoma Rail locomotive freight train's fuel tank was punctured August 16 and spilled 1,700 gallons of diesel fuel onto the ground, contaminating about 1,000 square yards of land.
Source: <http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Thurston-County-testing-for-water-contamination-after-diesel-spill--272655881.html>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

18. *August 26, WOWK 13 Huntington* – (West Virginia) **Route 35 now open following crash that injured 10.** At least 10 students and 1 adult were injured in an accident involving a school bus and two semi-trucks on Route 35 in Mason County, West

Virginia, August 26. A portion of Route 35 was closed while authorities investigated the incident.

Source: <http://www.wowktv.com/story/26370164/accident-involving-school-bus-reported-near-mason-putnam-county-line>

19. *August 25, KGUN 9 Tucson* – (Arizona) **Sahuaro HS given ‘all-clear’ following bomb threat, evacuation.** Police issued an all-clear after several hours of investigating a bomb threat at Sahuaro High School in Tucson August 25 that prompted the lockdown, evacuation, and dismissal of students and staff.

Source: <http://www.jrn.com/kgun9/news/BREAKING-Sahuaro-HS-evacuated-due-to-bomb-threat-272613131.html>

20. *August 25, WGCL 46 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **Crooks swipe nearly 100 laptops worth more than \$200k from Atlanta school.** Police in Atlanta are searching for a group of men who broke into Brown Middle School and stole 91 desktop computers and laptops worth over \$200,000 August 17. Authorities released security video August 25 showing four young men walking out with several laptops.

Source: <http://www.cbs46.com/story/26362906/crooks-swipe-100-laptops-from-atlanta-school>

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Emergency Services Sector

21. *August 26, Poughkeepsie Journal* – (New York) **3 felony charges for fire fund treasurer.** The former Arlington Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 2393 of Poughkeepsie treasurer was charged August 25 for stealing over \$25,000 in union funds after turning himself in to authorities. The alleged theft was discovered after a report was made to police in July.

Source: <http://www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/story/news/crime/2014/08/25/arlington-union-keith-rutbell/14579767/>

22. *August 26, Merced Sun-Star* – (California) **Merced police station evacuated for bomb scare.** A suspicious package prompted the 2-hour evacuation of the Merced police station in California August 25 after an employee found an unattended bag in the lobby. A bomb squad rendered the package safe after determining it was a sack lunch.

Source: http://www.modbee.com/2014/08/25/3503421_merced-police-station-evacuated.html

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Information Technology Sector

23. *August 26, Softpedia* – (International) **Hardcoded password in Netis, Netcore routers offers backdoor to devices.** Trend Micro researchers found that some routers sold under the Netis brand in the U.S. and other countries, and under the Netcore brand in China, contain a backdoor that can be accessed if the routers provide external access.

The researchers also found a hardcoded password in the devices that can allow anyone with the password to access the router.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hardcoded-Password-in-Netis-Netcore-Routers-Offers-Backdoor-to-Device-456394.shtml>

24. *August 26, Threatpost* – (International) **50 security flaws fixed in Google Chrome.**

Google released an update for its Chrome browser, addressing 50 security issues, including a series of critical vulnerability that could be exploited to execute arbitrary code outside of the Chrome sandbox.

Source: <http://threatpost.com/50-security-flaws-fixed-in-google-chrome>

25. *August 25, Help Net Security* – (International) **Researchers exploit flaw to tie Secret users to their secrets.** Researchers from Rhino Security Labs demonstrated a proof-of-concept attack against the Secret app that could allow a user to deduce the identity behind a posting on the anonymous social network. The attack method was previously reported to Secret and closed before the researchers' demonstration.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=17291>

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Communications Sector

26. *August 26, Softpedia* – (California) **Unlisted Comcast customer details exposed by the thousands.** The personal information of more than 74,000 Comcast customers in California who had paid to have their details remain unlisted, including names, addresses, and phone numbers, was exposed due to a fault in an agreement with a third party that distributes and publishes Comcast residential directories. The company stated that the leak appeared to occur between July 2010 and December 2012, and affected customers were offered refunds and in some cases additional remediation actions.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Unlisted-Comcast-Customer-Details-Exposed-by-the-Thousands-456369.shtml>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

27. *August 26, Salem Statesman Journal* – (Oregon) **Court Street remains closed in downtown Salem.** Businesses along Court Street in Salem were evacuated and closed

for at least 3 hours August 26 while crews repaired a natural gas leak stemming from a building within the area.

Source: <http://www.statesmanjournal.com/story/news/2014/08/26/gas-leak-downtown-salem/14618951/>

28. *August 25, KTVB 7 Boise* – (Idaho) **Fire at Eagle retirement community prompts evacuations.** An electrical fire prompted the evacuation of about 40 residents from the Sisters Villa retirement community in Eagle, Idaho, for several hours August 23. Two apartments were damaged by the blaze and residents were allowed to return to their units August 24.
Source: <http://www.ktvb.com/story/news/local/2014/08/24/fire-at-eagle-retirement-community-prompts-evacuations/14545811/>
29. *August 25, KTVU 2 Oakland* – (California) **Rapper among six arrested in concert shooting investigation.** Police arrested six individuals August 24 in connection to an August 22 shooting backstage at a concert hosted at the Shoreline Amphitheatre in Mountain View that left one person dead.
Source: <http://www.ktvu.com/news/news/crime-law/young-jeezy-among-six-arrested-wiz-khalifa-concert/ng8fj/>
30. *August 25, Austin American-Statesman* – (Texas) **Fire displaces all 32 residents of Austin's Walnut Run apartments.** Fire officials believe an improperly discarded cigarette may be the source of a fire that broke out August 25 at the Walnut Run apartments in Austin and displaced 32 residents. Damage from the fire is estimated to total \$375,000 and the building was rendered uninhabitable due to structural and wiring issues created by the blaze.
Source: <http://www.statesman.com/news/news/32-people-displaced-by-overnight-fire-near-ut-camp/ng8N7/>
31. *August 24, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Rap producer shot inside West Hollywood club.** Three people were shot and wounded when a gunman opened fire inside the 1 OAK nightclub in West Hollywood August 24. Police believe the incident may be related to gang rivalries and are searching for a suspect after reviewing surveillance footage.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/westside/la-me-suge-knight-shot-20140825-story.html>

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Dams Sector

32. *August 22, Washington Department of Ecology* – (Washington) **Heavy rains in fire area collapse dams.** Heavy rain in Okanogan County August 21 collapsed 2 of 4 public and private dams holding water in the Wenner lakes near Twisp. Previous wildfires scoured vegetation from the ground that would have held back the storm

water from spillways, and authorities are currently evaluating the dam and will advise downstream residents if they should evacuate.

Source: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/news/2014/133.html>

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