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- Latour Trading LLC agreed to pay \$16 million in penalties to resolve U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charges that the high-frequency trading firm violated net capital rules during a 2-year period. *U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* (See item 6)
- Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District officials announced September 17 that no public threat was found after a water main break dumped 11 million gallons of sewage in the Chesterfield area, some of which reached the Missouri River September 8. Associated Press (See item 17)
- The attorney general of Virginia announced a lawsuit September 16 seeking \$1.15 billion in damages from 13 banks for their alleged roles in fraudulently misleading the Virginia Retirement System from 2004 to 2010. *Washington Business Journal* (See item <u>20</u>)
- Orange County, California-based Corinthian Colleges Inc. was sued by the U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau September 16 for allegedly deceiving tens of thousands of students by operating an illegal lending scheme. Los Angeles Times (See item 21)

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Energy Sector

1. September 16, U.S. Department of Justice – (Michigan) U.S. settlement with Michigan utility to reduce emissions at its coal-fired power plants, fund projects to benefit environment and communities. Consumers Energy, a subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation, reached a settlement with the U.S. Department of Justice's Environment and Natural Resources Division September 16 to pay a civil penalty of \$2.75 million to resolve Clean Air Act violations and spend at least \$7.7 million on environmental projects after authorities found the company modified 5 coal-fired Michigan facilities which caused the release of excess sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide. The utility will spend an estimated \$1 billion to reduce harmful emissions at its plants.

Source: http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2014/September/14-enrd-985.html

- September 16, Associated Press (Delaware) Worker stole \$30K of copper wire from Delaware power plant, police say. Delaware police arrested a man for stealing nearly 11,000 pounds of copper wire worth an estimated \$30,000 between November 2012 and July 2014 from McKee Run Generating Station in Dover.
 Source: http://6abc.com/news/police-worker-stole-\$30k-of-copper-wire-from-power-plant/310960/
- 3. September 16, Salt Lake Tribune (Utah) One dead in central Utah coal mine accident. UtahAmerican Energy Inc.'s West Ridge Mine in Carbon County, Utah, closed September 16 after a worker died in an equipment-related accident. Officials with the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration are investigating. Source: http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/58419174-78/mine-accident-coal-energy.html.csp
- 4. September 16, Associated Press (Michigan) Natural gas leak plugged, Michigan evacuation ends. Residents in Berrien County's Benton Township were allowed to return home after evacuating for several hours September 16 due to a leak from a TransCanada Corp. natural gas line. Crews plugged the leak after the affected section of the line was shut down during the incident.

Source: http://newsok.com/article/feed/736157

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. September 16, U.S. Department of Labor – (Illinois) **OSHA cites KVK Foundry for repeatedly violating safety standards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited KVK Foundry Inc., September 16 for 2 willful and 2 repeat health and safety violations at its Millington facility. Proposed fines totaled \$48,928.

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEA_SES&p_id=26703

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

6. September 17, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission – (New York) SEC charges N.Y.-based high frequency trading firm with violating net capital rule for broker-dealers. Latour Trading LLC agreed to pay \$16 million in penalties September 17 to resolve U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charges that the high-frequency trading firm violated net capital rules on 19 of 24 reporting dates during a 2-year period. The chief operating officer when the violations occurred also agreed to pay \$150,000 in the settlement.

Source: http://www.sec.gov/News/PressRelease/Detail/PressRelease/1370542972403

- 7. September 16, KrebsOnSecurity (National) Breach at Goodwill vendor lasted 18 months. Payment vendor C&K Systems stated that its hosted managed services systems were found by investigators to be compromised between February 10, 2013 and August 14, 2014, allowing the installation of the infostealer.rawpos point of sale (PoS) malware that led to payment card breaches from over 330 Goodwill retail locations. The malware infection was not detected by the company's systems until September 5 and affected Goodwill and two other customers.

 Source: http://krebsonsecurity.com/2014/09/breach-at-goodwill-vendor-lasted-18-months/
- 8. September 16, Middletown Press (Connecticut) Man admits role in mortgage fraud in Middlesex, area counties. A Newington man pleaded guilty September 15 to his role in a mortgage fraud scheme that used straw buyers and fraudulent documents to obtain mortgages for around 50 properties in Hartford, New Haven, and Middlesex counties, causing around \$5.6 million in losses to lenders.

 Source: http://www.middletownpress.com/general-news/20140916/man-admits-role-in-

mortgage-fraud-in-middlesex-area-counties

9. September 16, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission – (International) SEC charges IT employee at law firm with insider trading ahead of merger announcements. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission September 16 charged a senior information technology professional at law firm Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati with allegedly engaging in insider trading using information from client-related databases to make over \$300,000 in illicit profits using a brokerage account held in the name of a relative in Russia. The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York also filed criminal charges against the man in a parallel action.

Source: http://www.sec.gov/News/PressRelease/Detail/PressRelease/1370542965393

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Transportation Systems Sector

- 10. September 16, Sacramento Bee (California) Section of Highway 50 in El Dorado County closed due to fire, evacuations ordered in Pollock Pines. Both directions of U.S. Highway 50 between Sly Park Road and Fresh Pond in El Dorado County remained closed to traffic September 16 due to the King Fire. Surrounding roads were also evacuated along the stretch of the highway.
 - Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2014/09/16/6712865/section-of-highway-50-in-eldorado.html
- 11. September 16, San Jose Mercury News (California) San Jose: plane lands safely after wing flap issue diverts Phoenix-bound flight to Oakland. A Southwest Airlines flight en route to Phoenix, Arizona, from San Jose, California, made an emergency landing at Oakland International Airport September 16 due to mechanical issues with the wing flaps not performing correctly following takeoff. The plane landed safely and the 128 passengers and crew members were moved onto a new aircraft. Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/saratoga/ci_26539285/san-jose-plane-lands-safely-after-wing-flap
- 12. September 16, Associated Press (Illinois) Southwest flight makes emergency landing at Midway. No injuries were reported when a Southwest Airlines flight headed to New York from Chicago returned to Midway International Airport September 16 to make an emergency landing after an engine indication light came on in the cockpit shortly after takeoff. The 118 passengers and 5 crew members were placed on new flights.
 - Source: http://www.myfoxchicago.com/story/26548889/southwest-flight-makes-emergency-landing-at-midway
- 13. September 16, WISH 8 Indianapolis (Indiana) 3-semi crash shuts down I-65 near Uniontown for hours. Northbound lanes on Interstate 65 in Jackson County, Indiana,

were closed for nearly 5 hours September 16 due to a fire that broke out following a crash that involved 3 semi-trucks. Two of the three drivers were injured and taken to nearby hospitals.

Source: http://wishtv.com/2014/09/16/multiple-semi-accident-closes-i-65-northbound/

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Food and Agriculture Sector

14. September 16, ValleyNewsLive.com – (Minnesota) Man rescued from grain bin in Wilkin County. Crews used grain bin rescue tubes to extricate a worker from a Brushvale Seed grain elevator in Wilkin County September 16 after he became trapped while working to loosen corn within the bin.

Source: http://www.valleynewslive.com/story/26546613/update-man-rescued-from-grain-bin-in-wilkin-county

- 15. September 16, KBOI 2 Boise (Idaho) More than 30 cattle dead after truck rolls onto its side. A semi-truck carrying 120 cattle turned onto its side after the driver lost control of the vehicle while travelling at a high speed around a curve on a road in Ada County September 15, leading to the death of 33 cows. The driver and a passenger were transported to an area hospital with minor injuries.
 - Source: http://www.kboi2.com/news/local/Truck-haulting-cattle-rolls-onto-its-side-275195271.html
- 16. September 16, KSFY 13 Sioux Falls (South Dakota) **OSHA cites South Dakota grain elevator in worker's death.** Prairie Ag Partners was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) September 12 for 11 safety violations following an inspection of the company's Lake Preston facility that was initiated after a worker was killed March 14 while repairing a jammed chute inside a grain elevator. Proposed penalties total \$120,120 and the company was placed into OSHA's Severe Violate Enforcement Program which mandates safety training.

Source: http://www.ksfy.com/story/26546699/osha-cites-south-dakota-grain-elevator-in-workers-death

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. September 17, Associated Press – (Missouri) Main break dumps 11 million gallons of sewage. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District officials announced September 17 that no public threat was found after a water main break dumped 11 million gallons of sewage in the Chesterfield area, some of which reached the Missouri River September 8. Authorities concluded that most of the sewage went upstream away from drinking water intakes.

Source: http://www.wral.com/main-break-dumps-11-million-gallons-of-sewage/13990290/

- 18. September 17, Dubois County Herald (Indiana) Boil order issued for Jasper water customers. The Jasper Water Department issued a boil water advisory to residents living in the city as well as in Ireland, Indiana, September 17 until further notice due to high levels of manganese that were found in the water.
 - Source: https://duboiscountyherald.com/b/boil-order-issued-for-jasper-water-customers
- 19. *September 16*, *WWSB 40 Sarasota* (Florida) **North Lido swim advisory lifted.** A no swim advisory issued at North Lido Beach in Lido Key beginning September 11 was lifted September 16 after water results returned to a satisfactory level meeting both the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and State recreational water standards. Source: http://www.mysuncoast.com/news/local/north-lido-swim-advisory-lifted/article-b083e154-3dd6-11e4-890f-0017a43b2370.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

20. September 16, Washington Business Journal – (Virginia) Virginia attorney general sues 13 banks for fraud. The attorney general of Virginia announced a lawsuit September 16 seeking \$1.15 billion in damages from 13 banks for their alleged roles in fraudulently misleading the Virginia Retirement System from 2004 to 2010, forcing the State to sell most of the securities built on junk mortgages causing a loss of \$383 million.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/washington/news/2014/09/16/virginia-attorney-general-sues-13-banks-for-fraud.html

- 21. September 16, Los Angeles Times (National) Feds sue Corinthian Colleges, alleging predatory lending. Orange County-based Corinthian Colleges Inc. was sued by the U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau September 16 for allegedly deceiving tens of thousands of students by operating an illegal lending scheme. The for-profit college operator's plan forced students to take out private loans costing more than \$500 million since July 2011 after raising tuition above federal aid limits.
 - $Source: \underline{http://www.latimes.com/la-fi-corinthian-colleges-sued-by-consumer-financial-protection-bureau-20140916-story.\underline{html}$
- 22. September 16, KRIS 6 Corpus Christi (Texas) Zavala Elementary dismisses students after power outage. Authorities are investigating the cause of a power outage that prompted the evacuation of students at Zavala Elementary School in Corpus Christi and the cancellation of classes September 16.

Source: http://www.kristv.com/news/zavala-elementary-dismisses-students-after-power-outage/

23. September 16, Portland Oregonian – (Oregon) Onion Mountain Fire: Evacuation advisories remain in effect. Fire crews reached 2 percent containment September 16 of the Onion Mountain Fire that burned over 3,000 acres in Josephine County. Evacuation orders remained in effect for surrounding areas. Source:

http://www.oregonlive.com/wildfires/index.ssf/2014/09/onion_mountain_fire_evacuation.html

24. September 16, KMBC 9 Kansas City – (Missouri) Sherwood Cass School to stay closed after fire. A September 16 fire at the Sherwood-Cass school building in Creighton forced the evacuation of students and staff and the cancellation of classes September 17. The fire began in a utility closet in the high school section of the school and officials estimated that repairs could take several days.

Source: http://www.kmbc.com/news/investigators-look-into-cause-of-fire-at-sherwood-high-school/28090562

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Emergency Services Sector

25. September 17, Reuters – (California) Seventh Los Angeles sheriff's official found guilty in jail probe. A U.S. District Court jury found a former Los Angeles sheriff's deputy guilty September 16 for his role in allegedly subjecting inmates and visitors at two Los Angeles lockups to unjustified beatings or detentions and attempting to hinder a federal probe into prisoner abuse and other misconduct. Six co-defendants were tried separately and convicted for their roles in July.

 $Source: \underline{http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/seventh-los-angeles-sheriffs-official-found-guilty-in-jail-probe}$

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Information Technology Sector

- 26. September 17, Securityweek (International) Twitter fixes vulnerability potentially impacting company's ad revenue. A security researcher identified and reported a vulnerability in a Twitter subdomain that could be used to delete the payment card information used by advertisers to pay for ads on the social media network. Twitter addressed the vulnerability and awarded a \$2,800 bounty to the researcher. Source: http://www.securityweek.com/twitter-fixes-vulnerability-potentially-impacting-companys-ad-revenue
- 27. September 17, Securityweek (International) Amazon fixes persistent XSS vulnerability affecting Kindle library. Amazon addressed a cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability on the Amazon Web page used to manage users' Kindle libraries that could be used by an attacker to inject malicious code through eBook metadata.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/amazon-fixes-persistent-xss-vulnerability-affecting-kindle-library

28. September 17, Help Net Security – (International) Macro based malware is on the rise. Researchers with Sophos found that macro-based malware created in Visual Basic rose from around 6 percent of document malware to 28 percent in July, among other findings.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2867

29. September 16, Threatpost – (International) Adobe gets delayed Reader update out the door. Adobe released new versions of Adobe Reader and Acrobat September 16 that were delayed during Adobe's scheduled patch release the week of September 8. The updates close eight vulnerabilities including two memory corruption issues and a cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability affecting Macintosh users.

Source: http://threatpost.com/adobe-gets-delayed-reader-update-out-the-door

30. September 16, Threatpost – (International) Archie exploit kit targets Adobe, Silverlight vulnerabilities. Researchers at AlienVault Labs analyzed a new exploit kit first identified by EmergingThreats researchers and found that the Archie exploit kit attempts to exploit older versions of Adobe Flash, Reader, and Microsoft Silverlight and Internet Explorer.

Source: http://threatpost.com/archie-exploit-kit-targets-adobe-silverlight-vulnerabilities

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Commercial Facilities Sector

31. September 17, Salt Lake Tribune – (Utah) \$500K in damage from Weber Fairgrounds fire. Fire officials reported that a September 16 fire that tore through a storage building at the Weber County Fairgrounds in Utah is believed to be accidental and to have started in an all-terrain vehicle. The fire caused an estimated \$500,000 in damage to the structure and the fairgrounds' equipment and vehicles contained within. Source: http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/58423490-78/fire-fairgrounds-equipment-weber.html.csp

32. September 17, WDRB 41 Louisville – (Kentucky) Clothing store damaged by early morning fire at the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass. Two stores at the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass outlet mall in Simpsonville suffered fire and water damage due to a September 17 fire that started in a display unit of one store and activated a sprinkler system. The store in which the fire began was closed indefinitely after the fire.

Source: http://www.wdrb.com/story/26552737/clothing-store-damaged-by-early-morning-fire-at-the-outlet-shoppes-of-the-bluegrass

33. September 17, Middletown Times Herald-Record – (New York) Fire badly damages pizzeria, apartments in Florida. A fire that started inside an apartment unit spread throughout a three-story structure in the village of Florida, New York, causing significant damage to a restaurant located within. Source:

http://www.recordonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20140917/NEWS/409170324

34. September 16, Associated Press – (California) **TJ Maxx, Marshalls owner ordered to pay \$2.8M.** Officials announced September 16 that a Monterey County judge ordered the owner of The TJX Companies to pay \$2.8 million to settle allegations that more than 286 stores in California improperly disposed of hazardous waste, including batteries and other ignitable and toxic materials.

Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2014/09/16/6712343/tj-maxx-marshalls-owner-ordered.html

- 35. September 16, Associated Press; Terre Haute Tribune-Star (Indiana) Police disable 2 improvised explosive devices. The Indiana State Patrol's Explosive Ordinance Disposal team disabled two 10-inch long improvised explosive devices that were discovered by a city parks employee September 16 inside Collett Park in Terre Haute. Officials reported that one device appeared to have been ignited but failed to detonate. Source: http://www.theindychannel.com/news/local-news/police-disable-2-improvised-explosive-devices
- 36. September 15, Bay City News Service (California) San Jose: Suspicious package found harmless at Hilton San Jose Hotel after two floors evacuated. Two floors of the Hilton San Jose Hotel were evacuated for about 7 hours September 13 while authorities investigated a suspicious package that was found inside a restroom. The San Jose Police Department's bomb squad cleared the scene after securing the package and determining that it was not an explosive device.

Source: http://www.insidebayarea.com/bay-area-news/ci_26532145/san-jose-suspicious-package-found-harmless-at-hilton

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Dams Sector

37. September 16, Bend Bulletin – (Oregon) Park district goes all-in on Colorado dam project. The Bend Park and Recreation District voted September 16 to award a \$7.68 million construction contract towards the completion of the safe passage project at the Colorado Avenue dam in which the Deschutes River would be split into 3 distinct channels below the dam.

Source: http://www.bendbulletin.com/localstate/2420523-151/park-district-goes-all-in-on-colorado-dam-project

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