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Energy Sector

1. *October 8, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **ND regulators approve 197-mile long oil pipeline; project will cost \$55M.** A \$55 million project to convert a 197-mile long oil gathering line into a transmission pipeline was approved October 8 by the North Dakota Public Service Commission. The pipeline will link crude oil gathering systems to larger pipelines and rail networks with a maximum capacity of 65,000 barrels per day.

Source:

<http://www.tribtown.com/view/story/561884e0bab24450974d9eecd57a99fb/ND--Pipeline-Approval>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

2. *October 9, Softpedia* – (International) **Flaw in PayPal authentication process allows access to blocked accounts.** A researcher with Vulnerability Laboratory identified and reported a flaw in the mobile authentication process for PayPal that can allow an attacker to attempt to input passwords an unlimited number of times without causing the account to be locked. The issue reported in March 2013 affects the iOS mobile app

for PayPal and a fix is not currently available.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Flaw-in-PayPal-Authentication-Process-Allows-Access-To-Blocked-Accounts-461622.shtml>

3. *October 8, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (California) **SEC shuts down \$123 million ATM Ponzi scheme in California.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission announced charges and asset freezes against Calabasas-based Nationwide Automated Systems, its owner, and a company officer for allegedly defrauding investors by running a \$123 million Ponzi scheme that purported to offer investments in ATMs the company did not own.
Source: <http://www.sec.gov/litigation/litreleases/2014/lr23106.htm>
4. *October 8, Associated Press* – (Virginia) **Fredericksburg man charged with investment fraud.** A Fredericksburg man was charged October 8 for allegedly defrauding investors of over \$9 million invested in the development of the Quantico Corporate Center in Stafford County.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/virginia/2014/10/08/investment-fraud-virginia-james-moncure/16925613/>
5. *October 8, Softpedia* – (International) **ATM programmer's reference manual leaked online.** F-Secure researchers found a document online using the Baidu search engine that contains API documentation for ATM cashpoints manufactured by NCR Corporation during an investigation into ATM malware. The programming reference materials could be used by attackers to inform their development of ATM malware.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/ATM-Programmer-s-Reference-Manual-Leaked-Online-461483.shtml>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *October 9, Fort Myers News-Press* – (Florida) **Delta flight from Fort Myers to Atlanta makes emergency landing.** A Delta flight en route to Atlanta made an emergency landing in Orlando shortly after departing from Southwest Florida International due to a mechanical issue. The plane was safely towed to the gate for inspection and passengers were placed on other flights.
Source: <http://www.news-press.com/story/news/local/2014/10/09/delta-flight-from-rsw-to-atlanta-makes-emergency-landing-in-orlando/16959609/>
7. *October 8, WVEC 13 Hampton* – (Virginia) **Driver charged in MMMBT accident.** Northbound lanes of Interstate 664 in Newport News were closed for 2 hours October 8 following an accident involving a box truck that struck a car and ran off the road, striking the jersey wall which caused a sign to rip the top of the truck and spill debris across the roadway.
Source: <http://www.13newsnow.com/story/news/local/2014/10/08/tractor-trailer-mmbt/16916661/>

8. *October 7, KTXL 40 Sacramento* – (California) **Entire fleet of S-2T Cal Fire tankers grounded after Yosemite crash.** Cal Fire announced October 7 that all 23 S-2T firefighting tanker planes are grounded for inspection following a fatal crash of a tanker near Yosemite, California.
Source: <http://fox40.com/2014/10/07/entire-fleet-of-s-2t-cal-fire-tankers-grounded-after-yosemite-crash/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

9. *October 9, Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **Winona restaurant temporarily closes after being linked to illness.** Ground Round restaurant in Winona County voluntarily closed October 8 after officials linked the eatery to a norovirus outbreak that has sickened about 30 customers. The restaurant can reopen after the facility undergoes a deep clean.
Source: <http://www.kaaltv.com/article/stories/S3585073.shtml?cat=10242>
10. *October 8, Orangeburg Times and Democrat* – (South Carolina) **Peanut warehouse fire quickly put out.** More than \$700,000 worth of peanuts were burned in an October 7 fire at a Palmetto Peanut Company warehouse in Cameron after a piece of machinery sparked the blaze. No structural damages or injuries were reported.
Source: http://thetandd.com/news/peanut-warehouse-fire-quickly-put-out/article_8f5e9938-4e89-11e4-a844-5be081ba983e.html
11. *October 8, Jackson Sun* – (Florida) **Ammonia leak reported at Pinnacle Foods plant.** The Pinnacle Foods facility in Jackson was shut down for about 2 hours October 8 due to an ammonia release that came from a leaking valve. Workers shut off the valve and contained the leak, and no injuries were reported.
Source: <http://www.jacksonsun.com/story/news/local/2014/10/08/ammonia-leak-reported-at-pinnacle-foods-plant/16925611/>
12. *October 8, WKYT 27 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Cleanup continues after EF-1 tornado confirmed in Harrison Co.** Two barns were destroyed and two additional barns and several pieces of farm equipment were damaged on a farm in Harrison County when a tornado touched down October 7. Power was restored to thousands of customers near Cynthia after the storms knocked out service.
Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/home/headlines/National-Weather-Service-surveying-damage-in-Harrison-Co--278533401.html>
13. *October 8, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Florida) **Oasis Brands, Inc recalls Cuajada en Hoja 12oz because of possible health risk.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced October 6 that Miami-based Oasis Brands, Inc., issued a recall for 12-ounce plastic bags of its Cuajada en Hoja due to possible *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination. The recall was initiated following routine sampling by

the FDA, and the company ceased production and distribution while the agency continues to investigate.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm418083.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *October 8, KCPQ 13 Tacoma* – (Washington) **Boil-water advisory lifted for Mercer Island; officials encourage residents to flush pipes.** A boil water advisory was lifted October 8 for Mercer Island after water sample results came back negative for E. coli or Total Coliform for the sixth day in a row. Sixty-four city restaurants reopened and resumed water service after closing or partially closing, and the school system will continue using bottled water until its water-related systems are sanitized.

Source: <http://q13fox.com/2014/10/08/boil-water-advisory-lifted-for-merc-island-officials-encourage-residents-to-flush-pipes/>

15. *October 8, Greensboro News & Record* – (North Carolina) **Pipe failure causes discharge of 13,000 gallons of wastewater.** A pipe failure caused 13,000 gallons of untreated wastewater to be discharged from a sewage main into the Little Alamance Creek tributary of the Cape Fear River Basin in Greensboro October 7. Crews shut down the main and replaced a section of the pipeline.

Source: http://www.news-record.com/news/local_news/pipe-failure-causes-discharge-of-gallons-of-wastewater/article_976bee3c-4f2e-11e4-be2d-001a4bcf6878.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

16. *October 9, Philly.com* – (Pennsylvania) **Fire kills 1 at Elwyn Institute facility.** One person was killed and 4 others were injured in a fire that began in a room at Smith Hall at Elwyn Institute in Middletown Township October 8 which prompted the evacuation of 38 residents of the assisted living facility for the disabled. Three wings of the building suffered smoke damage after crews contained the fire to one wing of the hall.

Source:

http://www.philly.com/philly/news/breaking/Fire_claims_life_at_Elwyn_Institute_facility.html

17. *October 7, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Hospira issues a voluntary nationwide recall of one lot of Vancomycin Hydrochloride for Injection USP, Equivalent to 1 G Vancomycin (Sterile Powder) due to uncontrolled storage during transit.** Hospira, Inc., recalled one lot of its Vancomycin Hydrochloride for Injection, USP, Equivalent to 1 G Vancomycin (Sterile Powder) October 7 after the product was shipped improperly in an uncontrolled setting.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm418028.htm>

Government Facilities Sector

18. *October 9, Lower Hudson Valley Journal News* – (New York) **149 Yonkers students sent to hospitals; mystery substance cited.** Five teachers and 149 students were sent to area hospitals as a precaution while Yonkers Middle School in New York was evacuated due to an unknown noxious substance October 8. Authorities are investigating the incident that also sent five firefighters to a local hospital with similar symptoms of mild nausea and chest discomfort.
Source: <http://www.lohud.com/story/news/education/2014/10/08/yonkers-school-evacuated-noxious-substance/16918343/>
19. *October 9, KVLV 11 Fargo* – (North Dakota) **Hackers breach NDSCS computers.** North Dakota State College of Science (NDSCS) officials reported that the personal information, including Social Security numbers, of more than 15,000 current and former students and employees may have been compromised after several NDSCS computers were breached. The breach was discovered September 1 and authorities worked to secure the system.
Source: <http://www.valleynewslive.com/story/26745237/hackers-breach-ndscs-computers>
20. *October 9, KXTV 10 Sacramento* – (California) **Applegate Fire grows to 420 acres; 1,000 homes threatened.** Crews reached 20 percent containment October 9 on the 420-acre Applegate Fire burning along Interstate 80 in California. At least 5 homes were destroyed and 1,000 others remained threatened while evacuation orders were in place for surrounding areas.
Source: <http://www.news10.net/story/news/local/auburn-grass-valley/2014/10/09/applegate-fire-grows-to-420-acres-containment-at-20-percent/16964467/>
21. *October 8, McAllen Monitor* – (Texas) **Short circuit suspends classes at Pharr IDEA school.** Classes will resume October 14 at Pharr IDEA Public School in Texas after a transformer exploded due to a short circuit October 8 causing the cancellation of classes October 9 while crews worked to repair the damaged transformer. No injuries were reported and the building was safely evacuated during the incident.
Source: http://www.themonitor.com/news/local/short-circuit-suspends-classes-at-pharr-idea-school/article_7b3108aa-4f5c-11e4-9184-0017a43b2370.html
22. *October 8, WRIC 8 Petersburg* – (Virginia) **Bomb threat closes both John Tyler Community College campuses.** Classes at both John Tyler Community College campuses in Chesterfield County were cancelled October 8 due to a bomb threat. Authorities responded and are investigating the threat.
Source: <http://www.wric.com/story/26734298/reported-bomb-threat-at-john-tyler-community-college>

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Emergency Services Sector

23. *October 9, WXIN 59 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Hancock County police search for escaped, handcuffed inmate.** Authorities are searching for an inmate who escaped while he was being transported by van to a secure location in Hancock County Jail in Indiana October 9. The inmate managed to scale a fence after a brief altercation with a jail officer.
Source: <http://fox59.com/2014/10/09/hancock-county-police-search-for-escaped-handcuffed-inmate/>
24. *October 9, WPTZ 5 Plattsburgh* – (New York) **Verizon Wireless 911 outage reported in the North Country.** Crews worked to repair line problems which caused a disruption in wireless 9-1-1 service for Verizon customers in parts of Clinton, Essex, and Franklin counties October 9.
Source: <http://www.wptz.com/news/vermont-new-york/plattsburgh/verizon-wireless-911-outage-reported-in-the-north-country/29027714>
25. *October 9, Enid News & Eagle* – (Oklahoma) **911 outage reported for some callers in Enid.** Officials reported that 9-1-1 service for roughly 510 AT&T customers in Enid was restored October 9 after a disruption in service October 8.
Source: http://www.enidnews.com/news/article_13bff798-4f21-11e4-afe9-371917ca222e.html

Information Technology Sector

26. *October 9, Help Net Security* – (International) **Aggressive Selfmite SMS worm variant goes global.** Researchers with AdaptiveMobile identified a new variant of the Selfmite SMS worm for Android that spreads via malicious links in SMS messages that lead to a trojanized Google Plus app. The worm uses compromised devices to send the malicious SMS messages to every contact on the device several times and redirect users to unsolicited subscription Web sites.
Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2881
27. *October 9, Securityweek* – (International) **Multiple vulnerabilities found in SAP enterprise software.** Researchers at Onapsis published seven advisories for flaws in SAP HANA, SAP BusinessObjects, and SAP NetWeaver Business Warehouse enterprise software, including a remotely exploitable command injection vulnerability in HANA that could allow an unauthenticated attacker to completely compromise the SAP system and the information it handles and stores.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/multiple-vulnerabilities-found-sap-enterprise-software>
28. *October 8, Securityweek* – (International) **Several Siemens industrial products**

affected by ShellShock bug. Siemens released an advisory warning that variants of the Shellshock vulnerability can be leveraged by attackers against several of its products including some versions of Rugged Operating System on Linux (ROX) 1 and ROX 2 and APE Linux versions. The company is working on developing patches for the affected products.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/several-siemens-industrial-products-affected-shellshock-bug>

29. *October 8, Softpedia* – (International) **There is anti-BadUSB protection, but it's a bit sticky.** The researchers who revealed the details for infecting USB devices via the BadUSB vulnerability released a patch and instructions for preventing the reprogramming of USB devices by disabling the “boot mode” state of the device. The researchers stated that a patched device could be tampered with to reset it and remove the patch, and suggested physically securing the device with glue or similar substances to prevent undetected access.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/There-Is-Anti-BadUSB-Protection-but-It-s-a-Bit-Sticky-461485.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>

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Communications Sector

30. *October 8, IDG News Service* – (National) **AT&T to pay \$105 million to settle mobile-phone cramming charges.** AT&T reached a \$105 million settlement October 8 with federal and State authorities to resolve complaints that it made millions of dollars through unauthorized third-party charges on customers' cellular-phone bills. The settlement includes \$80 million for consumer refunds and \$25 million in penalties.

Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/article/2823294/lan-wan/atandt-to-pay-105-million-to-settle-mobilephone-cramming-charges.html>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

31. *October 9, Commack Patch* – (New York) **Fire heavily damages Commack businesses.** Authorities are investigating the cause of an October 8 fire that heavily damaged four restaurants housed inside a commercial building in Commack. No injuries were reported.

Source: <http://patch.com/new-york/commack/fire-heavily-damages-commack-businesses-0>

32. *October 9, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **Woman kidnapped by ex-boyfriend at gunpoint leads to ‘tense’ standoff in Torrance: Police.** Guests from a Super 8 Motel were evacuated October 9 after a standoff began between police and a man suspected of kidnapping a woman, barricading himself inside the motel, and exchanging gunfire with police.
Source: <http://ktla.com/2014/10/09/woman-kidnapped-by-ex-boyfriend-at-gunpoint-in-redondo-beach-police/>
33. *October 9, Inland Valley Daily Bulletin* – (California) **Loma Linda second-alarm fire damages strip mall.** A 2-alarm fire broke out October 8 inside an under-construction bakery at a Loma Linda strip mall and spread through attics to nearby stores, causing damage to the four businesses. The stores are expected to remain closed until utilities are able to restore gas and electricity.
Source: <http://www.sbsun.com/general-news/20141009/loma-linda-second-alarm-fire-damages-strip-mall>
34. *October 8, KING 5 Seattle* – (Washington) **Raw sewage forces evacuation of Ocean City motel.** About 15 residents were displaced when a Grays Harbor judge ordered the closure of an Ocean City, Washington motel due to a failed septic system that caused raw sewage to leak into a ditch behind the motel and back up inside guests’ rooms.
Source: <http://www.king5.com/story/news/local/2014/10/08/raw-sewage-motel-evacuation-ocean-city/16952023/>
35. *October 8, Verde Independent* – (Arizona) **Walmart closes to investigate bomb threat.** A Walmart in Verde was evacuated October 8 after a man phoned the store several times claiming that there was a bomb inside the building. Police cleared the scene more than 2 hours later after finding nothing suspicious.
Source: <http://verdenews.com/main.asp?SectionID=1&SubSectionID=1&ArticleID=62708>
36. *October 8, KPRC 2 Houston* – (Texas) **Water main break floods SW Houston intersection.** Crews worked October 8-9 to repair a 20-inch water main that ruptured in the Westbury area of Houston, leaving three apartment complexes without water service for several hours until the work was complete.
Source: <http://www.click2houston.com/news/water-main-break-floods-sw-houston-intersection/29019102>

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