



## Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 30 October 2014

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- Mag-Plant in Attica, Kansas, will remain closed for several days following a fire that ignited in a cooling tower at the refinery October 28. – *KWCH 12 Hutchinson* (See item [3](#))
- Federal authorities charged 28 people, including a former TCF Bank branch supervisor and former Central Bank teller in Minnesota, for allegedly running a bank fraud scheme that used around 1,500 counterfeit checks to steal or attempt to steal over \$2 million from banks in several States. – *Minneapolis Star Tribune* (See item [8](#))
- Two Philadelphia, Pennsylvania men were charged by federal authorities for allegedly conspiring to extort victims out of more than \$5.8 million by threatening them into paying money onto MoneyPak prepaid debit cards, which the two men allegedly transferred to Green Dot Cards under their control. – *Newark Star-Ledger* (See item [9](#))
- Comcast agreed to pay \$16.7 million to subscribers in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and nearby counties and offer up to \$33.33 million in services in a settlement for allegedly overcharging subscribers between 2003 and 2008. – *Reuters* (See item [22](#))

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## **Energy Sector**

1. *October 29, WTOV 9 Steubenville* – (Ohio) **Gas well site secured in Jefferson County.** An evacuation order was lifted October 29 for residents within a 2-mile radius of an American Energy Partners-owned well pad site in Jefferson County, Ohio, after crews sheared off a gas well head at the site October 28. The Buckeye Local School District was closed because two of its facilities were on standby to be used as evacuation shelters.  
Source: [http://www.wtov9.com/shared/news/features/top-stories/stories/wtov\\_gas-well-site-secured-jefferson-county-6203.shtml](http://www.wtov9.com/shared/news/features/top-stories/stories/wtov_gas-well-site-secured-jefferson-county-6203.shtml)
2. *October 28, Wilmington Port City Daily* – (North Carolina) **Duke Energy: Copper theft responsible for power outage that affected 22,000 customers.** Power was restored to more than 22,000 Duke Energy Progress customers in New Hanover County October 28 after thieves struck a Bernard Creek substation in a copper theft knocking out service for 2 hours.  
Source: <http://portcitydaily.com/2014/10/28/duke-energy-copper-theft-responsible-for-power-outage-that-affected-22000-customers/>
3. *October 28, KWCH 12 Hutchinson* – (Kansas) **Large fire contained at Harper Co. plant.** Officials reported that the Mag-Plant in Attica will remain closed for several days following a fire that ignited in a cooling tower at the refinery October 28. The plant was evacuated safely and authorities are investigating the incident.  
Source: <http://www.kwch.com/news/local-news/large-fire-breaks-out-at-harper-co-plant/29392506>

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## **Chemical Industry Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

4. *October 29, CNNMoney* – (International) **566,000 Dodges and Jeeps recalled.** Fiat Chrysler announced two recalls October 29, with the first covering 382,000 model year 2010-2014 Dodge Ram 2500, 3500, 4500, and 5500 vehicles, mostly located in the U.S., due to the potential for fuel heater assemblies to overheat and lead to fuel leaks or fires. The second recall includes 184,000 model year 2014 Dodge Durango and Jeep

Grand Cherokee vehicles for an issue with the vehicles' electronic stability control systems.

Source: <http://www.kwch.com/382000-ram-pickups-recalled-for-fire-risk/29401494?ver=135>

5. *October 29, Associated Press* – (International) **Ford recalls 205,000 SUVs for fuel tank leaks.** Ford announced a recall October 29 for around 205,000 model year 2007-2008 Ford Edge and Lincoln MKX vehicles in cold-weather parts of the U.S. and Canada due to the potential for road salt to cause rust on vehicle fuel tank mounting brackets, which could lead to leaks or fires.  
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/Business/wireStory/ford-recalls-205000-suvs-fuel-tank-leaks-26541556>
6. *October 28, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **OSHA finds workers exposed to repeat, serious amputation hazards at Mansfield, Ohio, automotive parts coating plant.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Mansfield, Ohio-based Jay Industries Inc.'s Kronis Coatings Division with one repeat and four serious safety violations for exposing workers to moving machinery hazards. Proposed fines totaled \$62,400.  
Source:  
[https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=26919](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26919)
7. *October 28, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Missouri) **Continental Fabricators Inc. cited by US Department of Labor's OSHA for exposing workers to amputation, other serious hazards.** St. Louis-based Continental Fabricators Inc., was issued 15 citations by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for exposing workers to amputation, electrical, and confined spaces hazards. Proposed fines totaled \$52,500  
Source:  
[https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=NEWS\\_RELEASES&p\\_id=26913](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26913)

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

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## **Financial Services Sector**

8. *October 29, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (National) **Minnesota bank supervisor, teller among 28 charged in massive check fraud, says U.S. attorney.** Federal authorities charged 28 people, including a former TCF Bank branch supervisor and former Central Bank teller in Minnesota, for allegedly running a bank fraud scheme that used around 1,500 counterfeit checks to steal or attempt to steal over \$2 million from banks in

several States. Arrests were made in connection with the charges in Florida, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Oregon.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/local/280683322.html>

9. *October 28, Newark Star Ledger* – (New Jersey; Pennsylvania) **2 Philadelphia men charged in \$5.8M debit card scheme.** Two Philadelphia men were charged by federal authorities for allegedly conspiring to extort victims out of more than \$5.8 million by threatening them into paying money onto MoneyPak prepaid debit cards, which the two men allegedly transferred to Green Dot Cards under their control. The targets of the alleged scheme included a retail store in New Jersey where a bomb threat was sent demanding a ransom.

Source:

[http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2014/10/2\\_philadelphia\\_men\\_threatened\\_to\\_blow\\_up\\_nj\\_cvs\\_if\\_they\\_didnt\\_fill\\_up\\_5000\\_worth\\_of\\_debit\\_cards\\_repo.html](http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2014/10/2_philadelphia_men_threatened_to_blow_up_nj_cvs_if_they_didnt_fill_up_5000_worth_of_debit_cards_repo.html)

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## **Transportation Systems Sector**

10. *October 28, Glenwood Springs Post Independent* – (Colorado) **Tanker rollover in Rifle causes road closure and evacuations.** The Highway 6 and Colorado 13 interchange in Rifle, Colorado, was closed for around 4 hours October 28 after a semi-truck carrying 180 barrels of fracking clean up fluid overturned, prompting the evacuation of about a dozen nearby homes for about 2 hours.  
Source: <http://www.postindependent.com/news/13566659-113/highway-rifle-dyer-homes>
11. *October 28, Detroit News* – (Michigan) **Detroit Metro runway reopened after plane's tires blow.** A runway at the Detroit Metropolitan Airport reopened October 28 after being closed overnight when two tires blew off of a US Airways flight from Charlotte, North Carolina, as it landed. None of the 136 passengers and 5 crewmembers on board were injured and passengers were bussed to the terminal.  
Source: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/metro-detroit/2014/10/28/plane-tires-detroit-metro-airport/18065039/>
12. *October 27, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **EB I-70 reopens at Colorado Blvd. after more than 5 hours.** Eastbound lanes on Interstate 70 at Colorado Boulevard in Denver were reopened to traffic after being closed for more than 5 hours October 27 as crews worked to clean up an overturned semi-truck that was carrying a load of soft drinks.  
Source: [http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci\\_26807056/denver-traffic-i-70-eastbound-closed-at-colorado](http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_26807056/denver-traffic-i-70-eastbound-closed-at-colorado)

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

13. *October 29, WBBJ 7 Jackson* – (Tennessee) **Building ruptures, thousands of bushels**

**of corn spill into street.** Thousands of bushels of corn spilled from an 800,000 bushel storage bin at the Anderson's Grain facility in Union City October 28 due to an apparent structure failure. Crews worked to clear away damage to the building and prepared to begin clearing the corn.

Source: <http://www.wbbjtv.com/news/local/Thousands-of-bushels-of-corn-280737632.html>

14. *October 27, Lawrenceville Daily Record* – (Illinois) **Firefighters battle grain bin fire.** A dryer caught fire inside a grain bin at the Weger Polled Hereford Farm in Flat Rock October 25 and caused an estimated \$50,000 in damage.

Source:

<http://www.lawdailyrecord.com/main.asp?SectionID=14&SubSectionID=16&ArticleID=9824>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

15. *October 28, Clinton Chronicle* – (South Carolina) **LCWSC hit with \$8,000 fine by DHEC for wastewater overflows.** The Laurens County Water and Sewer Commission will pay a fine of \$8,000 to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for four instances in which sewer water overflowed from its disposal system and the commission is required to file an action plan to prevent future wastewater overflows.

Source:

[http://www.clintonchronicle.com/articles/2014/10/28/top\\_stories/doc544fd1a5ac35e436383074.txt](http://www.clintonchronicle.com/articles/2014/10/28/top_stories/doc544fd1a5ac35e436383074.txt)

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

16. *October 28, Raleigh News and Observer* – (North Carolina) **2 shot outside NC courthouse; 1 suspect arrested.** Police arrested one suspect who shot and injured two individuals outside the Nash County Courthouse in North Carolina October 28 before driving off. Authorities are still searching for a second suspect while the main entrances of the Nash County administrative buildings, surrounding businesses, and three schools in the area were placed on lockdown.

Source: [http://www.newsobserver.com/2014/10/28/4271266\\_shooting-at-nc-courthouse-prompts.html](http://www.newsobserver.com/2014/10/28/4271266_shooting-at-nc-courthouse-prompts.html)

17. *October 28, WPTZ 5 Plattsburgh* – (New York) **Heart rate monitor at center of university scare.** Classes at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh were cancelled for 5 hours October 28 due to a heart rate monitor that caused a suspicious package scare. Several buildings were evacuated while police investigated the contents of the package found at the Angell College Center, and deemed it safe.  
Source: <http://www.wptz.com/news/vermont-new-york/plattsburgh/police-suspicious-noise-reported-coming-from-student-center/29381074>
18. *October 28, KATV 7 Little Rock* – (Arkansas) **ASU-Beebe still investigating possible data breach.** Arkansas State University-Beebe informed an unknown number of students and staff of a possible data breach at multiple locations after learning October 21 that its servers may have been compromised. The university is investigating and officials announced that the school's servers were taken offline after getting the report.  
Source: <http://www.katv.com/story/27147008/asu-beebe-still-investigating-possible-data-breach>
19. *October 28, Portland Oregonian* – (Oregon) **Clark County school bus crash injures 4 middle school students.** Four students were injured in an accident involving an Amboy Middle School bus and two other vehicles in Clark County October 28.  
Source: [http://www.oregonlive.com/clark-county/index.ssf/2014/10/clark\\_county\\_school\\_bus\\_crash.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/clark-county/index.ssf/2014/10/clark_county_school_bus_crash.html)
20. *October 28, Medina County Gazette* – (Ohio) **Black River Local Schools campus opened following bomb threat.** Officials reopened the campus of Black River Local Schools in Sullivan Township, Ohio, after police cleared the scene following an emailed bomb threat that forced the district to close all of the schools October 28.  
Source: <http://medinagazette.northcoastnow.com/2014/10/28/black-river-local-schools-closed-following-bomb-threat/>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

21. *October 29, Securityweek* – (International) **Vulnerability found in firmware update process of ASUS routers.** A researcher identified and reported a vulnerability in ASUS RT-series routers that could have allowed attackers to use a man-in-the-middle (MitM) attack to trick users into downloading older, vulnerable firmware versions or potentially malicious code due to the firmware request being sent in HTTP instead of HTTPS. ASUS closed the vulnerability in its 3.0.0.4.367.1123 update.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/vulnerability-found-firmware-update-process-asus-routers>

### Internet Alert Dashboard

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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

22. *October 29, Reuters* – (Pennsylvania) **Comcast settles lawsuit over overcharging cable TV subscribers.** Comcast Corporation agreed to pay \$16.7 million to current and former subscribers in Philadelphia and 4 nearby counties and offer subscribers as much as \$33.33 million in services via a \$15 bill credit, free Internet upgrades, or free movies in a \$50 million settlement for allegedly overcharging cable television subscribers between 2003 and 2008.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/10/29/us-comcast-lawsuit-idUSKBN0I1N320141029?feedType=RSS&feedName=technologyNews>

23. *October 28, Eureka Times-Standard* – (California) **Phone, Internet service restored; no explanation yet on outages.** Cellphone and Internet service for many Humboldt County residents and businesses was disrupted for most of the day October 27 due to a fiber issue that also affected the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Humboldt Bay Command Center's and Arcata Police Department's communication systems. The source of the outage remains unknown and it is not immediately clear how many customers were affected.

Source: [http://www.times-standard.com/News/ci\\_26820315/Phone-Internet-service-restored;-no-explanation-yet-on-outages](http://www.times-standard.com/News/ci_26820315/Phone-Internet-service-restored;-no-explanation-yet-on-outages)

24. *October 28, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **FTC sues AT&T over unlimited data plans.** The Federal Trade Commission sued AT&T Inc. October 28 for allegedly misleading millions of wireless customers who had unlimited data plans by slowing the speed of their data usage if they exceeded a monthly threshold, a practice known as throttling, and for failing to adequately notify impacted customers.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-ftc-att-suit-20141029-story.html>

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## Commercial Facilities Sector

25. *October 29, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Police: Man set fire to discount store where he worked, causing \$2M in damage to strip mall.** Police arrested a Charleroi man for allegedly using a cigarette lighter to ignite paper products inside the Dollar



General store where he worked October 24, causing an estimated \$2 million in damage to the Tri-County Plaza strip mall in Belle Vernon. Customers inside the store at the time of the blaze were safely evacuated.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/nation/280774212.html>

26. *October 29, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Damage from four-alarm fire exceeds \$1 million.** A 4-alarm fire at a warehouse under renovation in Buffalo October 28 resulted in a building collapse and caused an estimated \$1.25 million in damage. Officials are investigating and working to determine if arson may have been the cause of the fire.  
Source: <http://www.buffalonews.com/city-region/east-side/damage-from-four-alarm-fire-exceeds-1-million-20141028>
27. *October 29, WHNS 21 Greenville* – (North Carolina) **Arden apartment fire leaves 25 homeless.** An October 29 fire displaced 25 residents from the Southwood Apartments complex in Arden and damaged 6 units. One resident was transported to an area hospital with injuries.  
Source: <http://www.foxcarolina.com/story/27150932/firefighters-battle-blaze-at-arden-apartments>
28. *October 29, Easton Express-Times* – (New Jersey) **White Township pizzeria temporarily closed after ventilation system fire.** The Pizza Mia restaurant in White Township was closed October 29 due to a fire that broke out in a ventilation system at the pizzeria October 28. The ventilation system was damaged and will likely need replaced before the store reopens October 30.  
Source: [http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/warren-county/express-times/index.ssf/2014/10/white\\_township\\_pizzeria\\_tempor.html](http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/warren-county/express-times/index.ssf/2014/10/white_township_pizzeria_tempor.html)
29. *October 27, Crystal Lake Northwest Herald* – (Illinois) **At least 2 injured in Homer Glen after Bengtson's Pumpkin Farm hayride trailer tips.** One adult and one child were injured October 27 when a tractor towing a trailer used for a hayride tipped with 12 patrons onboard at Bengtson's Pumpkin Farm in Homer Glen.  
Source: <http://www.nwherald.com/2014/10/27/at-least-2-injured-in-homer-glen-after-bengtsons-pumpkin-farm-hayride-trailer-tips/ayh3j54/>

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## **Dams Sector**

30. *October 28, Quincy Patriot Ledger* – (Massachusetts) **Marshfield voters approve \$1.97 million for sea wall repairs.** A \$1.97 million loan from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs' Dam and Seawall Loan Fund was approved by Marshfield residents October 27 to fund the repair of a 1,000-foot stretch of seawall built in 1931 along Foster Avenue, with construction expected to start in the fall of 2015.  
Source: <http://marshfield.wickedlocal.com/article/20141028/NEWS/141026485>

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