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- The federal government filed suit against Southwest Airlines November 3 seeking \$12 million in penalties following an investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration alleging that repairs on 44 aircraft did not meet safety standards or adhere to proper procedures. – *Associated Press* (See item [7](#))
- A November 4 fire at a poultry operation on a North Cornwall Township, Pennsylvania farm killed 20,000 hatchling chickens and caused an estimated \$500,000 in damages. – *Reuters* (See item [9](#))
- California voters approved \$7.5 billion November 4 to fund water projects and programs designed to improve water conservation and recycling, groundwater cleanup, and water storage as well as for building two new reservoirs. – *Associated Press* (See item [13](#))
- Sixty residents were displaced from a Schaumburg, Illinois apartment community following a November 4 fire that rendered each of the complex's three buildings uninhabitable. – *Chicago Sun-Times* (See item [27](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *November 4, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (West Virginia) **EPA settles with Stone Energy Corporation to restore and mitigate damage to West Virginia streams.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced a settlement with Stone Energy Corporation November 4 following the company's unauthorized discharge of dredged or fill material in Wetzel County, West Virginia. The company will pay \$177,500 in civil penalties and restore the damaged streams after violating the Clean Water Act during construction of two Marcellus Shale well pads and access roads.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/OPA/ADMPRESS.NSF/d0cf6618525a9efb85257359003fb69d/288b34381f6590de85257d86006b0006>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *November 5, Associated Press* – (National) **Audi recalling nearly 102,000 cars to fix air bags.** Audi announced a recall for around 102,000 model year 2013-2015 A4, S4, and Allroad vehicles due to an improperly programmed airbag control module that could cause the airbags to fail to inflate in a secondary impact.

Source: <http://www.kmov.com/news/consumer/Audi-recalling-nearly-102000-cars-to-fix-air-bags-281604311.html>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

3. *November 5, Softpedia* – (California) **Palm Springs Federal Credit Union loses hard drive with customer data.** An audit at Palm Springs Federal Credit Union in California found that a hard drive containing an undisclosed number of customers' names, Social Security numbers, account numbers, and addresses was unaccounted for on or about October 20. There was no statement on whether the data was encrypted or unencrypted.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Palm-Springs-Federal-Credit-Union-Loses-Hard-Drive-with-Customer-Data-464078.shtml>
4. *November 5, Norfolk Virginian-Pilot* – (Virginia) **Ex-Va. Beach broker admits embezzling from clients.** A Virginia Beach man who formerly worked as a financial advisor for Ameriprise Financial pleaded guilty November 4 to embezzling \$192,000 from 5 clients through 86 unauthorized transactions.
Source: <http://hamptonroads.com/2014/11/exva-beach-broker-admits-embezzling-clients#>
5. *November 4, Orange County Register* – (California) **Serial bank robber strikes in Costa Mesa.** Federal authorities believe that the man who robbed a U.S. Bank branch November 4 in Costa Mesa is the suspect known as the "Gift Bag Bandit" responsible for five other bank robberies in the area in 2011.
Source: <http://www.ocregister.com/articles/bank-640896-suspect-money.html>
6. *November 4, Associated Press* – (Maryland) **Maryland, federal authorities seek ATM skimmer who has netted more than \$100,000.** Maryland and federal authorities are trying to identify a man seen in surveillance photos believed to be responsible for using skimming devices and pin hole cameras to steal more than \$100,000 using stolen ATM card data. Authorities believe the suspect is operating in several Maryland counties and perhaps in one or more neighboring States.
Source:
<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/685d188bb38a43dcbe49e429daa9f864/MD--ATM-Skimming-Investigation>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *November 4, Associated Press* – (National) **US sues Southwest Airlines over maintenance issues.** The federal government filed suit against Dallas-based Southwest Airlines Co. November 3 after a settlement could not be reached following an investigation in July by the Federal Aviation Administration alleging that the company hired a contractor that did not meet safety standards or follow proper procedures while making repairs on 44 aircraft. The U.S. Department of Justice is seeking civil penalties worth \$12 million against the company.
Source:
http://seattletimes.com/html/business/technology/2024946254_apxsouthwestairlinesfine

[.html](#)

8. *November 4, Fox News* – (California) **‘Unbearable’ smell from plumbing problems forces Virgin Australia plane to turn around.** A Virgin Australian flight en route to Sydney, Australia, from Los Angeles was forced to return to Los Angeles November 3 after plumbing issues caused an unpleasant smell in the cabin. The airline provided overnight accommodations for passengers on the flight as they worked to arrange alternate flights.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/travel/2014/11/04/unbearable-smell-from-overflowing-bathroom-forces-virgin-australia-plane-to/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

9. *November 4, Reuters* – (Pennsylvania) **Barn fire kills 20,000 young chickens near Lebanon, Pennsylvania.** A November 4 fire at a poultry operation on a North Cornwall Township farm killed 20,000 hatchling chickens and caused an estimated \$500,000 in damages. Officials ruled that the cause of the fire could not be determined due to the severity of the blaze.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/11/04/us-usa-pennsylvania-chickens-idUSKBN0IO23W20141104>
10. *November 4, Central Florida News 13* – (Florida) **Milk truck crashes in Sumter spilling 20,000 gallons on road.** About 20,000 gallons of milk spilled onto the shoulder of State Road 50 in Sumter County November 4 after the driver of an ASN Grain-owned semi-truck hauling 40,000 gallons of the product lost control of the vehicle, causing it to overturn. The driver was transported to an area hospital with minor injuries.
Source:
http://www.mynews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2014/11/4/milk_truck_crashes_i.html
11. *November 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Illinois) **Workers exposed to combustible dust and other serious hazards at Paris, Illinois, cornstarch processing facility.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Septimus Inc., for 21 serious safety and health violations November 4 following an April inspection of the company’s cornstarch production facility in Paris, Illinois, which determined that workers were exposed to combustible materials and other hazards. Proposed penalties total \$46,400.
Source:
https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26949
12. *November 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Arkansas) **Frozen bread-maker exposed workers to amputation, electric shock hazards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Good Old Days Foods Inc., November 4 for 2 repeat, 9 serious,

and 3 other workplace safety violations at the company's frozen bread production facility in Little Rock. Proposed penalties total \$47,600.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26952

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

13. *November 4, Associated Press* – (California) **California voters approve \$7.5 billion water bond.** California voters approved \$7.5 billion November 4 to fund water projects and programs designed to improve water conservation and recycling, groundwater cleanup, and water storage as well as for building two new reservoirs.

Source: <http://www.news10.net/story/news/local/california/2014/11/05/california-prop-1-results/18510121/>

14. *November 4, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **Shaler water main break repaired.** Water service was restored in Shaler November 4 after a water main broke and left 200 homes without water service November 3.

Source: <http://triblive.com/news/allegheeny/7088841-74/break-shaler-main>

15. *November 4, Panama City News Herald* – (Florida) **Boil water notice posted for PCB.** A boil water advisory was issued to residents in portions of Panama City Beach November 4 after a water main break. The notice remains in effect until the issue is resolved and tests show the water is free of bacteria.

Source: <http://www.newsherald.com/news/crime-public-safety/boil-water-notice-posted-for-pcb-1.396183>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

16. *November 5, KNTV 11 San Jose* – (International) **Ex-Army reservist stole fellow soldiers' identities to buy luxury cars.** A former Pomona U.S. Army reservist was sentenced November 4 after pleading to charges that he stole the identities of fellow soldiers while stationed overseas and sent the personal information to his relative who used the details to open lines of credit. The pair spent nearly \$200,000 purchasing

luxury cars, electronics, and other items for personal use.

Source: <http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/national-international/Former-US-Army-Reservist-Jailed-For-Stealing-Identities-of-Afghanistan-Soldiers-281588561.html>

17. *November 4, KTTV 11 Los Angeles; Cybercast News Service* – (California) **High school, polling place evacuated following bomb threat on social media.** Palisades Charter High School in California was evacuated for 3 hours November 4 following a bomb threat made on social media. Police cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found and allowed the building to reopen and continue serving as a polling station for the day.
Source: <http://www.myfoxla.com/story/27269296/high-school-polling-place-evacuated-following-bomb-threat-on-social-media>
18. *November 4, KCRG 9 Cedar Rapids* – (Iowa) **Fan fire responsible for Olin Elementary School evacuation, polling place moved.** Olin Elementary School in Iowa was evacuated and classes were dismissed November 4 following reports of thick smoke in one portion of the building due to an overheated fan. Officials also cancelled classes November 5 while they worked to assess the situation and finish clearing the building.
Source: <http://www.kcrg.com/subject/news/public-safety/fire/fire-at-olin-elementary-school-20141104>
19. *November 4, Raleigh News & Observer* – (North Carolina) **Eight Broughton High School students taken to hospital after school bus accident.** A Broughton High School bus collided with another vehicle November 4 in Raleigh causing eight students to be transported to area hospitals with injuries.
Source: http://www.newsobserver.com/2014/11/04/4293593_eight-broughton-high-school-students.html
20. *November 4, News 12 Westchester* – (New York) **3 kids, driver injured in school bus accident.** An accident involving a Rockland County Day School bus that hit a car and crashed into a tree in Valley Cottage November 4 left three students and the bus driver injured.
Source: <http://westchester.news12.com/news/3-kids-driver-injured-in-school-bus-accident-in-valley-cottage-1.9582911>

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Emergency Services Sector

21. *November 5, WNCN 17 Goldsboro* – (North Carolina) **Cumberland Co. man escapes from minimum security prison.** Authorities are searching for an inmate who escaped from the Greene Correctional Institution in North Carolina November 5. Correctional staff determined that the Cumberland County inmate had escaped after they discovered discarded clothes near a facility fence.

Source: <http://www.wncn.com/story/27283765/cumberland-co-man-escapes-from-minimum-security-prison>

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Information Technology Sector

22. *November 5, Ars Technica* – (International) **Crypto attack that hijacked Windows Update goes mainstream in Amazon Cloud.** A researcher stated that he was able to replicate the MD5 hash collision method used in the Flame cyberespionage attacks using a GPU instance on Amazon Web Service to cause two images to have the same MD5 hash. The method was used in the Flame campaign to cause compromised Windows Update certificates to be recognized as valid on targeted systems, allowing malware to be downloaded undetected.
Source: <http://arstechnica.com/security/2014/11/crypto-attack-that-hijacked-windows-update-goes-mainstream-in-amazon-cloud/>
23. *November 5, Help Net Security* – (International) **New technique makes phishing sites easier to create, more difficult to spot.** Trend Micro researchers identified a new phishing site technique targeting an e-commerce site that uses a proxy to relay user traffic to a legitimate site and then redirects users to a phishing site once they make a purchase and enter payment information. The method was observed in an attack on an online store in Japan but could be used for other sites.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=17592>
24. *November 4, Softpedia* – (International) **Compromised EDU domain used to send out Zeus-laden emails.** Researchers with PhishMe detected a spam email campaign distributing the Zeus (also known as Zbot) information-stealing trojan through email addresses belonging to an undisclosed U.S. educational organization with around 25,000-30,000 enrolled students.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Compromised-EDU-Domain-Used-to-Send-Out-ZeuS-Laden-Emails-464072.shtml>
25. *November 4, SC Magazine* – (International) **Spin.com redirects to Rig Exploit Kit, infects users with malware, Symantec observes.** Symantec researchers stated November 4 that the music news Web site Spin.com was redirecting users to a page hosting the Rig Exploit Kit October 27 and that the issue has been closed. The researchers were unsure of how the compromise occurred but found that the attackers injected an iFrame into the site in order to redirect visitors.
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/the-popular-music-news-site-redirected-visitors-to-the-rig-exploit-kit/article/381364/>

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26. *November 5, WJHL 11 Johnson City* – (Tennessee) **Mall at Johnson City to open doors at noon after morning water line break.** The Mall at Johnson City delayed its opening by several hours November 5 following a water main break at an exterior building of the Tennessee mall.
Source: <http://www.wjhl.com/story/27285120/water-line-break-at-mall-at-johnson-city-opening-delayed>
27. *November 4, Chicago Sun-Times* – (Illinois) **60 displaced, one injured in Schaumburg apartment fire.** Sixty residents were displaced from a Schaumburg apartment community following a November 4 fire that rendered each of the complex's three buildings uninhabitable due to fire, smoke, and water damage. One person was transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.
Source: <http://www.myfoxchicago.com/story/27275020/60-displaced-one-injured-in-schaumburg-apartment-fire>
28. *November 3, KTVA 11 Anchorage* – (Alaska) **Stores in University Center mall hit hard by flood after water main break.** Several stores in the University Center mall in Anchorage were closed until further notice after a water main break October 31 caused flooding and extensive damage. Crews worked to replace the ruptured water main and clean the damage.
Source: <http://www.ktva.com/stores-in-university-center-mall-hit-hard-by-flood-after-water-main-break-454/>

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