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- Several school districts were closed while crews worked November 12 to restore power to over 50,000 customers in Seattle after freezing temperatures and strong winds knocked down trees and power lines November 11. – *KIRO 7 Seattle*; *Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- Regulators in the U.S., U.K., and Switzerland issued fines November 12 totaling \$4.25 billion against JPMorgan Chase, Citigroup, HSBC, Royal Bank of Scotland, and UBS for conspiring to manipulate foreign currency exchange markets to increase bank profits. – *New York Times* (See item [6](#))
- Microsoft released a patch November 11 for a data manipulation vulnerability that has existed in Windows operating systems and could have been used by attackers to gain control of affected systems for the last 18 years. – *Softpedia* (See item [21](#))
- Authorities reported that improperly discarded smoking materials were the source of a November 10 fire that caused an estimated \$1.25 million in damage to an apartment building in Herndon, Virginia. – *WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* (See item [33](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *November 12, KIRO 7 Seattle; Associated Press* – (Washington) **Schools closed, thousands remain without power as freezing temperatures arrive in western Washington.** Utility crews continued work November 12 to restore power to over 50,000 customers around southern King County and Pierce County in Seattle after freezing temperatures and strong winds knocked down trees and power lines November 11. Several school districts were closed while Highway 164 was blocked due to debris from fallen trees.
Source: <http://www.kirotv.com/news/news/strong-wind-leaves-damage-freezing-temperatures-ar/nh5Xz/>
2. *November 12, KTXS 12 Sweetwater* – (Texas) **Rollover spills nearly 4,000 gallons of gasoline near Sweetwater.** A rollover accident involving a semi-truck caused about 4,000 gallons of gasoline to spill along Highway 70 north of Sweetwater, Texas, November 11. The Sweetwater fire chief reported that clean up could take several days.
Source: <http://www.ktxs.com/news/rollover-spills-nearly-4000-gallons-of-gasoline/29669974>
3. *November 10, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Texas) **Texas drilling company, Spradling LP, cited for safety and health violations.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Spradling LP November 10 for 13 serious health and safety violations after exposing workers to hazardous conditions at its Channing drilling site near Amarillo. Suggested penalties total \$46,200.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=26973

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *November 11, Reuters* – (National) **Mercedes recalls 10,500 C-Class cars in U.S. for steering defect.** Mercedes-Benz announced a recall for 10,509 model year 2015 C300 and C400 vehicles equipped with four-wheel drive due to the potential for a loss of

steering function to occur at low speeds due to an improperly installed steering component.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/11/11/us-mercedes-recall-idUSKCN0IV1R520141111>

5. *November 11, Autoblog* – (National) **NHTSA probing 400,000 Infiniti, Honda vehicles over steering faults.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration announced 2 vehicle safety investigations November 4, the first of which involves up to 374,000 model year 2013 Honda Accord vehicles due to reports of vehicles experiencing a total loss of power steering. The second investigation concerns around 17,000 model year 2008 Infiniti EX35 vehicles due to two complaints of the steering wheel shaft separating.
Source: <http://www.autoblog.com/2014/11/11/honda-infiniti-nhtsa-steering-failure-probe/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

6. *November 12, New York Times* – (International) **Big banks are fined \$4.25 billion in foreign exchange scandal.** Regulators in the U.S., U.K., and Switzerland issued fines November 12 totaling \$4.25 billion against JPMorgan Chase, Citigroup, HSBC, Royal Bank of Scotland, and UBS for conspiring to manipulate foreign currency exchange markets to increase bank profits.
Source: <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2014/11/12/british-and-u-s-regulators-fine-big-banks-3-16-billion-in-foreign-exchange-scandal/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

7. *November 12, KNTV 11 San Jose* – (California) **Truck carrying 25,000 lbs. of frozen turkeys and 40 gallons of diesel spill on road in San Ramon.** A semi-truck hauling roughly 25,000 pounds of frozen turkeys overturned while trying to negotiate a freeway exit ramp on Interstate 680 in San Ramon November 12, dumping its load and spilling 20 to 40 gallons of diesel onto the roadway. Authorities were forced to shut down Interstate 680 at Alcosta Boulevard for 9 hours while crews cleared the scene.
Source: <http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/Turkeys-Diesel-Spill-on-Road-in-San-Ramon-Big-Rig-Dublin-CHP-282402271.html>

8. *November 12, Associated Press* – (Connecticut) **Amtrak service resumes after Hartford derailment.** Amtrak service between Hartford, Connecticut, and Springfield, Massachusetts, resumed more than 6 hours after the wheel of an empty flat car of a Connecticut Southern Railroad freight train came off the rail in Hartford November 12. No injuries were reported and the incident is under investigation.
Source: <http://www.stamfordadvocate.com/news/article/Freight-derailment-near-Hartford-halts-Amtrak-5887632.php>
9. *November 12, Arizona Republic* – (Arizona) **Plane makes emergency landing on Interstate 8 in Arizona.** Eastbound lanes of Interstate 8 near Maricopa were closed for 3 hours November 11 after a small plane made an emergency landing on the interstate.
Source: <http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/pinal/2014/11/11/plane-lands-arizona-highway-interstate-8-abrk/18893593/>
10. *November 11, KWWL 7 Waterloo* – (Iowa) **Parking data breach at Eastern Iowa Airport.** The Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids revealed November 11 a data breach that may have compromised the information of an unknown amount of customers who used credit or debit cards at the airport's public parking facilities between September 29 and October 29, after discovering that a server was being mined for data. Authorities isolated the server and continue to investigate the extent of the incident.
Source: <http://www.kwwl.com/story/27359520/2014/11/11/parking-data-breach-at-the-eastern-iowa-airport>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

11. *November 12, WMAQ 5 Chicago* – (Illinois) **4 injured in explosion, fire at Turano Baking Company building.** Four people were injured by a 3-alarm fire that was sparked November 11 by a propane tank explosion inside a Turano Baking Company fleet maintenance garage in Oak Park in Illinois. The structure collapsed and several delivery trucks were damaged as a result of the fire, while residents in the area were evacuated as a precaution.
Source: <http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/Fire-Turano-Bakery-282322901.html>
12. *November 10, Ellensburg Daily Record* – (Washington) **Barn, hay, tractors destroyed in fire.** A November 7 fire at a farm near Ellensburg rendered a barn a total loss and damaged an estimated 600 tons of hay and 2 tractors stored inside the structure. The source of the fire that caused an estimated \$225,000 in damage is under investigation.
Source: http://www.dailyrecordnews.com/members/barn-hay-tractors-destroyed-in-fire/article_be1448d2-6913-11e4-b3e9-0b57d6a0e21c.html
13. *November 10, WITI 6 Milwaukee* – (Wisconsin) **Several departments called out to grain bin dryer fire in Town of Trenton.** About 8,000 bushels of field corn worth

about \$30,000 were damaged during a grain bin dryer fire in the Town of Trenton, Wisconsin, November 10. The grain bin and dryer valued at \$35,000 were rendered a total loss as a result of the fire.

Source: <http://fox6now.com/2014/11/10/several-departments-called-out-to-grain-bin-dryer-fire-in-town-of-trenton/>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *November 12, Capital Public Radio* – (California) **Contaminated groundwater wells close in South Lake Tahoe.** Three wells in South Lake Tahoe were shut down after high levels of the contaminant PCBE were found. Officials are investigating the source of the PCBE, which is partly due to an ongoing drought that has produced less groundwater to dilute contamination in the wells.

Source: <http://www.capradio.org/articles/2014/11/12/contaminated-groundwater-wells-close-in-south-lake-tahoe/>

15. *November 11, WOLO 25 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Boil water advisory for West Columbia.** A boil water advisory was issued November 11 until further notice for parts of the City of West Columbia from Oakwood Drive at Leaphart Road to Harbor Drive and all side streets, due to a water main break.

Source: <http://www.abccolumbia.com/news/local/Boil-Water-Advisory-for-West-Columbia-282305171.html>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

16. *November 11, Albany Times Union* – (New Jersey) **School bus overturns in New Jersey; 4 people hurt.** A student, two drivers, and a teachers' aide were injured in an accident involving a school bus that was struck by a car in Princeton November 11.

Source: <http://www.timesunion.com/news/article/School-bus-overturns-in-New-Jersey-5886101.php>

17. *November 10, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **55 laptops stolen from library on UCLA campus; police ask for help finding burglar.** The University of California Police Department is searching for a suspect who stole 55 laptops worth \$33,000 from the Charles E. Young Research Library on the University of California, Los Angeles

campus November 8.

Source: <http://ktla.com/2014/11/10/55-laptops-stolen-from-library-on-ucla-campus-police-ask-for-help-finding-burglar/>

18. *November 10, WTEN 10 Albany* – (New York) **Authorities investigate bomb threat at Skidmore College.** Academic buildings were closed and classes were cancelled at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs for 5 hours November 10 due to a bomb threat found outside a campus building. Several other buildings remained closed while police continued to search for any suspicious devices.

Source: <http://www.news10.com/story/27341966/authorities-investigate-bomb-threat-at-skidmore-college>

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Emergency Services Sector

19. *November 12, WKYT 27 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Inmates escape from Adair County jail.** Police in Columbia are searching for two inmates that walked out of Adair County Jail in Kentucky November 11. Authorities discovered the missing inmates during bed checks.

Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/home/headlines/Inmates-escape-from-Adair-County-jail-282381851.html>

20. *November 11, KOIN 6 Portland* – (Oregon) **911 outage affected rural areas of Marion Co.** Emergency 9-1-1 service was disrupted for 8 hours November 10 across several cities in Marion County due to a cut fiber optic line.

Source: <http://koin.com/2014/11/10/911-outage-affecting-rural-areas-of-marion-county/>

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Information Technology Sector

21. *November 12, Softpedia* – (International) **18-year-old remotely exploitable vulnerability in Windows patched by Microsoft.** Microsoft released a patch November 11 for a data manipulation vulnerability that has existed in Windows operating systems starting with Windows 95. Researchers with IBM's X-Force discovered and reported the vulnerability in May, which could have been used by attackers to gain control of affected systems for the last 18 years.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/18-year-Old-Remotely-Exploitable-Vulnerability-in-Windows-Patched-By-Microsoft-464769.shtml>

22. *November 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **Microsoft patches Windows, IE, Word, SharePoint and IIS.** Microsoft released its monthly Patch Tuesday round of updates for its products, which includes 14 bulletins including one patching a zero-day

vulnerability in the Windows OLE packager for Windows Vista and newer Windows operating systems.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=17627>

23. *November 12, Softpedia* – (International) **18 critical vulnerabilities patched in Flash Player 15.0.0.223.** Adobe released a new version of its Flash Player software, closing 18 critical security issues, 15 of which could allow an attacker to execute arbitrary code.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/18-Critical-Vulnerabilities-Patched-in-Flash-Player-15-0-0-223-464731.shtml>
24. *November 12, Network World* – (International) **Google DoubleClick down, leaving sites ad-free.** The Google DoubleClick for Publishers service experienced an outage November 12, preventing ads from being displayed on several Web sites. Google stated that the company was working to resolve the issue.
Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/article/2846816/business-continuity/google-doubleclick-down-leaving-sites-ad-free.html>
25. *November 12, Softpedia* – (International) **Air-gapped systems targeted by Sednit espionage group.** Researchers with ESET stated that the Sednit espionage group (also known as APT28 or Sofacy) have employed a tool known as Win32/USBStealer since at least 2005 that can exfiltrate data from air gapped systems. The tool is added to a compromised system connected to the Internet and then plants the tool on any removable storage device, collects information on the air gapped system, and then transmits it back to the attackers whenever the storage device is next connected to an Internet-connected system.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Air-Gapped-Systems-Targeted-by-Sednit-Espionage-Group-464734.shtml>
26. *November 11, Softpedia* – (International) **Uroburos espionage group is still active, relies on new remote access trojan.** G Data researchers found that the Uroburos espionage group (also known as Turla or Snake) remains active and is using two similar versions of a new remote access trojan (RAT) known as ComRAT that includes increased obfuscation and anti-analysis capabilities.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Uroburos-Espionage-Group-Is-Still-Active-Reles-on-New-Remote-Access-Trojan-464694.shtml>
27. *November 10, Securityweek* – (International) **SQL injection vulnerability patched in IP.Board forum software.** Invision Power Services released patches for its IP.Board forum software November 9, closing a SQL injection vulnerability several hours after its discovery on versions 3.3.x and 3.4.x.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/sql-injection-vulnerability-patched-ipboard-forum-software>
28. *November 10, Securityweek* – (International) **iOS security issue allows attackers to swap good apps for bad ones: FireEye.** Researchers with FireEye identified a new

attack dubbed a Masque Attack that can allow attackers to replace a legitimate iOS app with a malicious one if both applications use the same bundle identifier. Victims targeted by the attack must be lured into installing the malicious app which can then be replaced by the malicious app on jailbroken and non-jailbroken iOS devices.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/ios-security-issue-allows-attackers-swap-good-apps-bad-ones-fireeye>

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>

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

29. *November 12, Washington Post* – (National) **Weather Service issues expired tornado watches in technical glitch.** The National Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center experienced a glitch that caused expired and inaccurate tornado and severe thunderstorm alerts to be delivered November 12 due to a data transmission problem connected to a contractor. Official severed the faulty connection and are investigating the incident.

Source: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/capital-weather-gang/wp/2014/11/12/weather-service-issues-expired-tornado-watches-in-technical-glitch/>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

30. *November 12, Wall Street Journal* – (New York) **Police manhunt continues, as jewel heist details emerge.** Police are searching for two suspects who allegedly robbed the Watch Standard Inc., store in New York City November 11 of more than \$500,000 in jewelry and watches. The store owner was injured after the gunman hit him in the head with the gun while the other suspect served as a lookout during the robbery.

Source: <http://online.wsj.com/articles/police-manhunt-for-jewelry-robbers-continues-as-heist-details-emerge-1415817156>

31. *November 12, Associated Press* – (Massachusetts) **Refrigerant leak forces evacuation of mall.** Thirty individuals were evaluated at the scene and 10 others were transported to an area hospital following a refrigerant leak that originated in the food court of the Independence Mall in Kingston, Massachusetts, November 11. The mall was evacuated and closed while authorities investigated and was expected to reopen November 12.

Source: <http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/2014/11/12/refrigerant-leak-forces-evacuation-mall/WHTpfiRy6e00uzAdaNvxIL/story.html>

32. *November 12, Associated Press; Sioux City Journal* – (South Dakota) **Firefighters still battling flames at Pierre motel.** The Capitol Inn and Suites in Pierre was destroyed by fire November 11 displacing dozens of residents from the motel. Firefighters remained at the scene November 12 to extinguish hot spots while authorities investigated the source of the fire believed to have started on the west side of the building.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/ap/state/firefighters-still-battling-flames-at-pierre-motel/article_212cd1f1-3040-5abb-b8cf-44ea9551c5b0.html
33. *November 12, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Virginia) **Herndon apartment fire leaves \$1.25 million in damage.** Authorities reported that improperly discarded smoking materials were the source of a November 10 fire that caused an estimated \$1.25 million in damage to an apartment building in Herndon. Eighteen residents were displaced by the fire.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/2014/11/12/herndon-apartment-fire-jefferson-park-drive/18905747/>
34. *November 12, Moline Dispatch/Moline Rock Island Argus* – (Illinois) **Fire heavily damages Silvis Dollar General store.** Staff and customers safely evacuated a Dollar General store at the Crosstown Shopping Center in Silvis November 11 after a fire that started inside the business caused an estimated \$500,000 in damage. A grocery store and vacant store space located at the shopping center suffered smoke damage from the blaze.
Source: http://www.qconline.com/news/local/fire-heavily-damages-silvis-dollar-general-store/article_28945da0-db6c-54b1-a877-e22f8429e3c5.html
35. *November 11, OakRidgeToday.com* – (Tennessee) **Shopping center evacuated after gas leak reported.** At least four businesses and a parking lot at an Oak Ridge shopping center were evacuated for several hours November 11 due to a reported gas leak at a former Kroger grocery store. Crews ventilated the stores and measured gas levels in the area before the businesses were allowed to reopen.
Source: <http://oakridgetoday.com/2014/11/11/shopping-center-evacuated-gas-leak-reported/>
36. *November 11, Softpedia* – (International) **Hacker steals payment data from One Love Organics website.** One Love Organics notified consumers October 30 that the online beauty product company's server was compromised and the personal information, including payment card data, of customers who made purchases between August 24 and October 15 may have been breached. A representative reported that an attacker leveraged a vulnerability in the Web site's shopping cart feature to perform and SQL injection, and that the vulnerability has since been closed.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hacker-Steals-Payment-Data-from-One-Love-Organics-Website-464725.shtml>

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