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- Around 131,000 homes in New Hampshire were without power November 28 following a snowstorm the caused outages to over 200,000 customers late November 26. – *Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- The Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District in Wisconsin reported November 26 that approximately 500,000 gallons of untreated wastewater was discharged over a 25-hour period when three pumps failed November 16. – *Wisconsin State Journal* (See item [14](#))
- A gunman was fatally shot November 28 after he fired more than 100 shots at government buildings in downtown Austin, Texas, including the federal courthouse and the police department's headquarters as well as attempting to set fire to the Mexican consulate. – *NBC News* (See item [16](#))
- Researchers identified a new point of sale (PoS) malware dubbed DareDevil, designed to steal payment card information from multiple PoS systems. – *Softpedia* (See item [26](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *November 28, Associated Press* – (New Hampshire) **N.H. hit hard by storm-related power outages.** Around 131,000 customers in New Hampshire were without power November 28 following a snowstorm the caused outages to over 200,000 customers late November 26. Crews were continuing work to restore power to affected customers. Source: <https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2014/11/27/thanksgiving-storm-winding-down/NGqMzbQY8y8GSfzWRqgdMO/story.html>
2. *November 27, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Nearly 19,000 Western Massachusetts power customers coping with Thanksgiving power outages.** Heavy snowfall caused around 19,000 customers mainly in Berkshire and Franklin counties to lose power November 26-27. Crews worked to restore power and utilities and reported that they hoped to restore power to most customers by later that day. Source: http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2014/11/nearly_19000_western_massachus.html
3. *November 28, WMTW 8 Poland Spring* – (Maine) **CMP deploys hundreds to restore power lost in holiday storm.** A snowstorm November 26 in Maine brought down trees and power lines causing customers to lose power mainly in Cumberland and York counties. Utilities reported that over 25,000 customers remained without power as of November 28. Source: <http://www.wmtw.com/weather/widespread-power-outages-expected-from-storm/29949080>

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. *November 28, Bergen County Record* – (New Jersey) **Feds seeking damages against DuPont for contamination in Pompton Lakes.** DuPont and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service entered into a cooperative agreement to determine the extent of damage to fish, wildlife, and other natural resources from pollution at the company's now defunct Pompton Lakes ammunition production facility. DuPont agreed to pay for a portion of the agency's research and to collaborate during the information-gathering process of the investigation. Source: <http://www.northjersey.com/news/feds-seeking-damages-against-dupont-for-contamination-in-pompton-lakes-1.1142783>
5. *November 27, Richmond Times-Dispatch* – (Virginia) **Chemical spill apparently caused Hopewell fish kill.** Virginia Department of Environmental Quality officials reported that a fish kill in Gravelly Run creek appears to be connected to the spill of about 5,500 pounds of ammonium carbonate at the Honeywell International facility in Hopewell November 24. Authorities reported that all but 600 pounds of the chemical was contained in a treatment lagoon and the remainder of the chemical flowed into the creek.

Source: http://www.timesdispatch.com/news/chemical-spill-apparently-caused-hopewell-fish-kill/article_f6313641-505d-5caa-ba29-4ac1d3717ffb.html

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *November 28, WKBW 7 Buffalo* – (New York) **190 closed for hours after 20-car pileup.** An accident involving at least 56 vehicles shut down the northbound lanes of the north Grand Island bridge of Interstate 190 in Niagara Falls for 4 hours November 27 and injured 10 people.

Source: <http://www.wkbw.com/news/multi-car-crash-closes-190-in-niagara-falls>

7. *November 27, KPIX 5 San Francisco* – (California) **Series of collisions on I-880 in Hayward leaves 1 dead, driver arrested on suspicion of DUI.** A Menlo Park man was killed and an Oakland man was arrested following 3 back-to-back collisions that shut down all but one lane of northbound Interstate 880 in Hayward for 4 hours November 27

Source: <http://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2014/11/27/roadway-clear-after-multi-car-collision-kills-one-on-hwy-880-in-hayward/>

8. *November 26, Dallas Morning News* – (Texas) **Westbound lanes on I-635 reopened near Dallas North Tollway after wreck Wednesday.** All lanes on Interstate 635 in

Dallas were reopened to traffic after being closed for nearly 6 hours when a diesel tank ruptured and spilled fuel onto the highway during a semi-truck accident November 26.
Source: <http://thescoopblog.dallasnews.com/2014/11/westbound-lanes-on-i-635-closed-near-dallas-north-tollway-after-wreck-wednesday.html/>

9. *November 26, KTVQ 2 Billings* – (Montana) **Man dies on flight from Atlanta to Seattle, plane diverted to Billings.** A Delta Air Lines flight en route to Seattle from Atlanta arrived 3 hours later than it was scheduled when it diverted to Billings when a passenger onboard suffered a heart attack and died.
Source: <http://www.ktvq.com/news/man-dies-on-flight-from-atlanta-to-seattle-plane-diverted-to-billings/>
10. *November 24, Honolulu Star-Advertiser* – (Hawaii) **H-2 southbound lanes reopened after truck overturns.** Three southbound lanes on Interstate H-2 Freeway between the Ka Uka off ramp and the Pearl City off-ramp were closed for 3 hours when a garbage truck overturned on the roadway.
Source:
http://www.staradvertiser.com/news/breaking/20141124_3_southbound_lanes_on_H2_closed_near_Ka_Uka_Blvd.html?id=283720841

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Food and Agriculture Sector

11. *November 28, Cleveland.com* – (Ohio) **Fannie May candy warehouse catches fire in Maple Heights.** Authorities are investigating the source of a November 27 fire that destroyed the Fannie May candy storage warehouse in Maple Heights. Firefighters contained the blaze before it reached an ammonia room and other buildings in the industrial complex.
Source: http://www.cleveland.com/maple-heights/index.ssf/2014/11/fannie_may_candy_warehouse_cat.html
12. *November 26, Associated Press* – (Hawaii) **Oahu quarantines pigs due to swine disease outbreak.** The Hawaii Department of Agriculture halted the movement of pigs from Oahu farms after a porcine epidemic diarrhea virus outbreak at a farm in Waianae farm killed about 25 percent of the farm's 150 hogs.
Source: http://www.trivalleycentral.com/trivalley_dispatch/farm_and_ranch/oahu-quarantines-pigs-due-to-swine-disease-outbreak/article_91c3912a-74e4-11e4-bbe9-6fde0101c77e.html
13. *November 26, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Whole Foods Market's Southwest Region recalls vegan pumpkin pie due to undeclared walnuts.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced November 26 that Whole Foods Market issued a recall for its vegan pumpkin pie products due to undeclared walnuts. The affected products were produced and sold at stores in four States within the

company's Southwest Region.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm425034.htm>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *November 27, Wisconsin State Journal* – (Wisconsin) **Madison Metropolitan Sewage District reports 500,000-gallon spill in mid-November.** The Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District reported November 26 that approximately 500,000 gallons of untreated wastewater was intermittently discharged over a 25-hour period on Madison's north side November 16 when the primary pump and 2 backup pumps failed while a contractor was in the process of relining the interceptor sewer and diverting the wastewater.

Source: http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/govt-and-politics/madison-metropolitan-sewage-district-reports--gallon-spill-in-mid/article_2a54a1c8-bed2-5d87-9b9e-c877f73c72b5.html

15. *November 25, KTEN 10 Ada* – (Texas) **Strict water advisory in effect for Texoma town.** Water service was expected to be restored December 2 for residents in Howe and a strict boil water advisory was expected to remain in effect until December 3 following a burst pipe near Highway 92 that disrupted water service.

Source: <http://www.kten.com/story/27483120/strict-water-advisory-in-effect-for-texoma-town>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

16. *November 28, NBC News* – (Texas) **Gunman dead after shots fired at police HQ, Mexican consulate in Austin.** A gunman fired more than 100 shots in downtown Austin November 28 targeting a federal courthouse, the Mexican consulate, and the police department's headquarters, and then attempted to set fire to the consulate. Authorities shut down Interstate 35 for more than 3 hours while they investigated the death of the gunman and suspicious devices that were found in the suspect's vehicle and attached to the suspect's body.

Source: <http://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/gunman-dead-after-shots-fired-police-hq-mexican-consulate-austin-n257626>

17. *November 26, San Jose Mercury News* – (California) **Saratoga: West Valley College evacuated, classes canceled after threat made to campus.** West Valley College in Saratoga was evacuated and closed November 26 due to a threat that was deemed credible after administrators and police reviewed an anonymous note given to staff that claimed the author overheard a conversation involving a threat to the campus. Police searched the campus for at least 4 hours and found nothing to substantiate the threat, while classes were expected to resume December 1 after the conclusion of the previously-scheduled Thanksgiving holiday.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/crime-courts/ci_27017939/saratoga-west-valley-college-evacuated-classes-cancelled-after
18. *November 26, WKTV 2 Utica* – (New York) **Police release name of woman accused of making threat.** A New York woman was arrested and charged for allegedly phoning in a bomb threat to the Camden Central School District bus garage November 25, prompting the evacuation and early dismissal of every school in the district. Oneida County police searched and cleared the schools and nothing suspicious was found.
Source: <http://www.wktv.com/news/local/Police-release-name-of-woman-accused-of-making-threat-283953231.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

19. *November 27, Hagerstown Herald-Mail* – (Maryland) **Six hurt in collision with ambulance in downtown Hagerstown.** Five people were taken to Murtius Medical Center and one person to the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore November 27 after a traffic accident at the intersection of West Franklin Street and Jonathan Street in downtown Hagerstown when an ambulance and passenger vehicle collided.
Source: http://www.heraldmillmedia.com/news/breaking/hurt-in-collision-with-ambulance-in-downtown-hagerstown/article_1493db22-7f00-5cb2-a2e6-46aa90bb1e50.html

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Information Technology Sector

20. *November 28, Softpedia* – (International) **Syrian Electronic Army Thanksgiving hack of Microsoft, NBC, Dell, Forbes used Gigya comment platform.** The creators of the Gigya comment platform announced that they closed a vulnerability in the product that allowed attackers claiming affiliation with the Syrian Electronic Army hacktivist group to place pop-up messages on the Web sites of several major technology, news, and other entities November 27. The attackers took advantage of GoDaddy to alter Gigya's Domain Name System (DNS) in order to place the messages.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Syrian-Electronic-Army-Thanksgiving-Hack->

[of-Microsoft-NBC-Dell-Forbes-Used-Gigya-Comment-Platform-466106.shtml](#)

21. *November 27, IDG News Service* – (International) **Weather.com fixes web application vulnerabilities.** The Weather Channel fixed a Web application security issue on its Web site after a student researcher identified and reported the issue which made most links from the Web site vulnerable to cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks.
Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/article/2853293/weathercom-fixes-web-application-vulnerabilities.html>
22. *November 26, Securityweek* – (International) **Man pleads guilty to selling StealthGenie spyware.** A Danish citizen pleaded guilty in federal court November 25 and was ordered to pay a \$500,000 fine for advertising and selling the StealthGenie mobile device spyware.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/man-pleads-guilty-selling-stealthgenie-spyware>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

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Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

23. *November 28, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Massive commercial fire erupts at pallet yard in Fontana.** A 2-alarm fire at a pallet yard in Fontana November 27 spread to several semi-truck trailers and commercial grade heavy equipment tires at an adjacent tire company. Damage was estimated to total \$3 million. The cause of the fire is under investigation.
Source: <http://abc7.com/news/massive-fire-erupts-at-pallet-yard-in-fontana/414567/>
24. *November 28, KTVB 7 Boise* – (Idaho) **4-alarm fire destroys Boise strip mall.** Authorities are investigating a 4-alarm fire at a Boise strip mall November 26 that destroyed at least 5 store fronts and damaged 2 additional businesses. Damage was estimated to total more than \$1 million.
Source: <http://www.ktvb.com/story/news/local/2014/11/27/fire-reported-south->

[broadway/19569109/](#)

25. *November 28, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **Man's truck used to help other residents to safety during fire.** A 3-alarm apartment fire in Hillcrest Heights November 27 displaced 27 residents. Officials believe the fire may have been sparked by a resident's oxygen tanks.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/maryland/2014/11/27/fire-hillcrest-heights-3-alarm/19592465/>
26. *November 27, Softpedia* – (International) **New DareDevil PoS malware also infects ticket machines and electronic kiosks.** Researchers with IntelCrawler identified a new piece of point of sale (PoS) malware dubbed DareDevil that has been found affecting several PoS products including Figure Gemini PoS, Harmony WinPOS, OSIPOS Retail Management System, and QuickBooks Point of Sale Multi-Store and includes features such as backdoor access, keylogging, and RAM scraping. The malware was also found to be targeting PoS systems on mass transit system ticket kiosks.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/New-DareDevil-PoS-Malware-Also-Infects-Ticket-Machines-and-Electronic-Kiosks-465985.shtml>
27. *November 26, Reuters* – (Connecticut; New York) **Police make arrest in \$50,000 fur coat heist in Connecticut.** Police are arrested one suspect and are searching for a second suspect in connection to the theft of \$50,000 worth of fur coats from a Saks Fifth Avenue store in Greenwich November 26.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/11/26/us-usa-connecticut-fur-idUSKCN0JA2BU20141126>

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