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- General Motors issued a recall August 4 for 42,984 of its model year 2011 Buick Regal vehicles due to faulty wiring harness covers that may be worn down over time and cause a short circuit, thereby increasing the risk of a fire. – *TheCarConnection.com* (See item [3](#))
- The Ford Motor Company issued a recall August 4 for 766,682 of its model years 2012 – 2016 vehicles in select makes sold in the U.S. due to faulty side door latches that could unlatch when driving, thereby increasing the risk of injury. – *CNBC* (See item [4](#))
- Maryland officials announced August 3 that the owner and operator of 6 Liberty Tax franchises in Baltimore has been permanently barred from preparing Federal tax returns after she allegedly filed 1,222 fraudulent returns. – *U.S. Department of Justice* (See item [7](#))
- Officials announced August 4 that Advocate Health Care Network agreed to pay \$5.55 million to resolve alleged violations of Federal patient privacy laws related to three separate data breaches in 2013 that compromised the electronic health information of about 4 million patients. – *Chicago Tribune* (See item [18](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *August 4, WDSU 6 New Orleans* – (Louisiana) **Strong storms leave thousands without power in New Orleans.** Crews worked August 4 to restore power to more than 26,000 customers who remained without service in New Orleans following severe storms that knocked down power lines.

Source: <http://www.wdsu.com/news/local-news/new-orleans/thousands-without-power-in-several-new-orleans-neighborhoods/41055514>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *August 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Alabama) **Tubing manufacturer's fall, electric shock, unguarded equipment and other safety hazards yield nearly \$197K in proposed fines.** The Occupational Safety and Health administration cited Golden Dragon Copper Inc., doing business as GD Copper USA Inc., with two willful, one repeat, nine serious, and two other-than-serious safety violations August 4 after an investigation at the Pine Hill, Alabama facility revealed that the company failed to install machine guards, failed to conduct annual audits of the energy control procedures, and exposed worker to electric shock hazards, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$196,900.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=32967

3. *August 4, TheCarConnection.com* – (National) **2016 – 2017 Buick Envision, 2011 Buick Regal recalled: nearly 48,000 U.S. vehicles affected.** General Motors issued a recall August 4 for 42,984 of its model year 2011 Buick Regal vehicles equipped with 8-way power adjustable front seats sold in the U.S. due to faulty wiring harness covers that may be worn down over time and cause a short circuit, thereby increasing the risk of a fire. The recall also affects 4,558 of its model years 2016 –2017 Buick Envision vehicles due to inaccurate maximum weight information printed on the vehicle's information label which can cause an owner to overload the vehicle, thereby reducing the ability to control the vehicle and increasing the risk of a crash.
4. *August 4, CNBC* – (International) **Ford recalls 830,000 2012 –2016 Ford and Lincoln vehicles to fix latches.** The Ford Motor Company issued a recall August 4 for 766,682 of its model years 2012 – 2016 vehicles in select makes sold in the U.S. due to faulty

side door latches that could unlatch when driving, thereby increasing the risk of injury. The recall affects an additional 61,371 vehicles sold in Mexico.

Source: <http://www.cnbc.com/2016/08/04/ford-recalls-830000-2012-2016-ford-and-lincoln-vehicles-to-fix-latches.html>

5. *August 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Wisconsin) **OSHA finds Wisconsin foundry employees at risk for permanent hearing loss, respiratory illness, other dangers from exposure to noise, silica.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Waupaca Foundry, Inc., with 2 repeat and 2 serious safety violations July 29 after an investigation at the Waupaca, Wisconsin facility revealed that the company exposed workers to noise hazards, failed to implement administrative controls to reduce exposure to hazards, and failed to implement a formaldehyde training program, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$56,950.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=32961

6. *August 4, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Missouri) **Maintenance technician crushed fatally when 4,000 pound machine part unintentionally moves during repairs at Warrensburg foundry.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Stahl Specialty Company with 1 repeat and 5 serious safety violations July 29 following a February incident where a worker was fatally crushed by a machine part, prompting an investigation at the Warrensburg, Missouri facility which revealed that the company failed to isolate all sources of energy in or to the equipment, failed to protect employees from unexpected machine movements, and failed to adequately train employees on lockout procedures, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$105,000.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=32958

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

7. *August 3, U.S. Department of Justice* – (Maryland) **Federal court permanently bars Maryland tax preparer from preparing federal tax returns.** The U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland announced August 3 that the owner and operator of 6 Liberty Tax franchises in Baltimore has been permanently barred from preparing Federal tax returns after she allegedly filed 1,222 fraudulent tax returns that reported false household help incomes, among other fraudulent claims, and intentionally omitted Social Security Income and Wage and Tax Statement income. The charges also allege that the tax preparer kept each refund as a fee and paid customers a \$50 cash payment as part of Liberty Tax's "Cash-in-a-Flash" promotion.

Source: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/federal-court-permanently-bars-maryland-tax->

Transportation Systems Sector

8. *August 5, San Jose Mercury News* – (California) **Palo Alto: Motorcyclist killed in Highway 101 accident.** Northbound lanes of Highway 101 in Palo Alto, California, were closed for more than 2 hours August 4 while authorities investigated the scene of a three-vehicle crash that left one person dead.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/bay-area-news/ci_30206798/palo-alto-motorcyclist-killed-crash-highway-101
9. *August 5, WFTS 28 Tampa* – (Florida) **Off-duty detention deputy-involved shooting shuts down portion of U.S. 41; suspect dead.** Highway 41 in Spring Hill, Florida, was closed for several hours August 5 after a man suspected of stealing a delivery truck and crashing into another vehicle was shot and killed by an off-duty Pasco County deputy during a struggle between the suspect and the officer on the highway. The incident remains under investigation.
Source: <http://www.abcactionnews.com/news/region-citrus-hernando/spring-hill/us-41-in-spring-hill-shut-down-while-deputies-conduct-investigation>
10. *August 4, Easton Star Democrat* – (Maryland) **Trappe man dies in head-on crash.** All lanes of Royal Oak Road in Royal Oak, Maryland, were closed for more than 3 hours August 4 after a vehicle traveling eastbound crossed the center line and struck another vehicle head-on. One person was killed and another was sent to an area hospital with injuries.
Source: http://www.stardem.com/spotlight/article_88b3c99d-bcab-5900-b54c-26d9bbcc1049.html
11. *August 4, WPBF 25 Tequesta* – (Florida) **I-95 exit in Boca Raton reopens after tractor trailer crash.** The Interstate 95 exit at Congress Avenue in Boca Raton, Florida, was closed for more than 7 hours August 4 after a semi-truck carrying 30,000 pounds of cabinets crashed into the southbound entrance ramp, trapping the driver for over an hour.
Source: <http://www.wpbfl.com/news/semitruck-carrying-cabbage-hanging-off-ramp-in-boca-raton/41047300>
12. *August 4, KEVN 7 Rapid City* – (South Dakota) **Collision causes traffic congestion on city's east side.** Southbound lanes of Elk Vale Road in Rapid City, South Dakota, were closed for approximately 2 hours August 4 after a three-vehicle accident involving two motorcycles and another vehicle sent one person to an area hospital with serious injuries and another with non-life-threatening injuries.
Source: <http://www.blackhillsfox.com/content/news/Collision-causes-traffic-congestion-on-citys-east-side-389256931.html>
13. *August 4, Stephenville Empire-Tribune* – (Texas) **Train derailment causes grass fire, no injuries.** The Texas Department of Public Safety is investigating after a train derailed in Stephenville August 4, causing 13 freight cars to overturn and igniting a

grass fire on Peach Orchard Road. No injuries were reported.

Source: <http://www.yourstephenvilletx.com/article/20160804/NEWS/160809789>

14. *August 3, Salt Lake Tribune* – (Utah) **Truck spills hazardous materials on I-80 near Utah-Wyoming border.** A portion of Interstate 80 in Summit County, Utah, was closed in both directions for about 3 hours August 3 after a semi-truck transporting hazardous materials overturned.
Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/home/4192601-155/i-80-closed-near-utah-wyoming-border-after>

Food and Agriculture Sector

15. *August 4, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Grassfields Cheese recall affects select Whole Foods Market locations; grocer recalls product from cheese departments.** Whole Foods Market issued a voluntary recall August 3 for its Grassfields Cheese LLC's organic cheese products sold in eight variations due to potential E.coli contamination after Grassfields Cheese recalled the products due to a Shiga toxin-producing E.coli (STEC) outbreak potentially linked to the products that has sickened seven people. The products were sold at Whole Foods Market stores in 13 States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm514967.htm>
16. *August 4, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Mann Packing voluntarily issuing Class 1 recall of O Organics Organic Vegetable Tray with Creamy Ranch Dressing Dip due to mislabeled ingredients that may pose an allergen risk.** Mann Packing issued a voluntary recall August 4 for 844 cases of its O Organics Organic Vegetable Tray with Creamy Ranch Dressing Dip products sold in 18-ounce packages due to mislabeling and undeclared egg, milk, and soy allergens. The products were sold at 11 grocery store chains in 24 States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515116.htm>
17. *August 4, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **JM Exotic Foods, Inc., recalls Ground Turmeric due to elevated levels of lead.** JM Exotic Foods, Inc., issued a recall August 2 for its Ground Turmeric products sold in 4-ounce packages after samples from the companies supplier tested positive for elevated levels of lead. No illnesses have been reported.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515105.htm>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

Nothing to report

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

18. *August 5, Chicago Tribune* – (National) **Advocate to pay \$5.5 million over data breach: record HIPAA settlement.** The U.S. Department Health and Human Services (HSS) Office for Civil Rights announced August 4 that Advocate Health Care Network

agreed to pay \$5.55 million to resolve alleged violations of Federal patient privacy laws related to three separate data breaches in 2013 involving its subsidiary, Advocate Medical Group that compromised the electronic health information of about 4 million patients, including medical information, names, and credit card numbers, among other data. HHS' investigation into the breaches found that company failed to adequately limit access to its information systems, failed to properly assess the risks associated with the data, and failed to protect an encrypted laptop containing sensitive data.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/ct-advocate-settlement-privacy-0805-biz-20160804-story.html>

19. *August 3, Food Safety News* – (Hawaii) **Confirmed case count hits 135 in Hawaii hepatitis A outbreak.** Hawaii State Department of Health officials are investigating August 3 the source of a hepatitis A outbreak that has sickened 135 people in the State since June 12. Health officials advised those who may have been exposed to the virus to seek medical attention and monitor their health for symptoms of the virus.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2016/08/airline-foodservice-workers-latest-victims-of-hawaii-hepatitis-a-outbreak/#.V6Nh4vkrKUK>

Government Facilities Sector

20. *August 5, KSTU 13 Salt Lake City* – (Utah) **Fire in Box Elder County grows beyond 10,000 acres, burns 3 structures.** Crews reached 15 percent containment August 4 of the more than 10,000-acre fire burning near Broadmouth Canyon in Box Elder County, Utah, which has burned through 3 structures.

Source: <http://fox13now.com/2016/08/04/fire-in-box-elder-county-grows-beyond-10000-acres-burns-3-structures/>

21. *August 4, KYW 3 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **2 injured in elevator incident at CJC.** The Justice Juanita Kidd Stout Center for Criminal Justice in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was evacuated and closed August 4 after an elevator shaft experienced a structural failure, causing an explosion that left two people injured.

Source: <http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2016/08/04/criminal-justice-center-in-philadelphia-evacuated-reports-of-elevator-malfunction/>

Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

Information Technology Sector

22. *August 5, Softpedia* – (International) **HEIST attack can steal data from HTTP-encrypted traffic.** Two security researchers discovered hackers could carry out a Web-based attack, dubbed HEIST to steal encrypted content from Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) traffic by embedding special JavaScript code on a Webpage that fetches content via a hidden JavaScript call from a private page containing sensitive information including credit card numbers and Social Security numbers, then pinpoints the size of the embedded data transferred in small transmission control

protocol (TCP) packets using a repeated probing mechanism in order to guess the content exchanged in the HTTPS traffic. Researchers advised users to disable support for third-party cookies or JavaScript execution in their browsers to block HEIST attacks.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/heist-attack-can-steal-data-from-https-encrypted-traffic-507009.shtml>

23. *August 5, Help Net Security* – (International) **58% of orgs have no controls in place to prevent insider threats.** Veriato and other firms released the Insider Threat Spotlight Report which found that nearly half of the 500 cybersecurity professionals surveyed experienced an increase in insider attacks since 2015, 58 percent of organizations lack appropriate control to prevent insider attacks, and 44 percent of those surveyed were unaware if their organization had experienced an insider attack. The survey also found that the endpoint is the most common point for a malicious actor to launch an insider attack, followed by mobile devices.

Source: <https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2016/08/05/prevent-insider-threats/>

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>

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

24. *August 5, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Cops investigate suspicious materials after Rosemont hotel fire.** The Hampton Inn and Suites in Rosemont, Illinois, was evacuated for over 6 hours August 4 after authorities discovered suspicious materials in a guest room while responding to reports of a fire in the room. HAZMAT crews responded to the scene and one guest was transferred to an area hospital with injuries.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-rosemont-hotel-hazmat-criminal-investigation-20160804-story.html>

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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