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(North Dakota) Man accused of stealing 230 small explosives. A man was arrested and charged May 13 for allegedly stealing about 230 small explosives, used in an oil field to finish wells, from an oilfield services company in April, and storing them in a home in Williams County, North Dakota. Authorities also found tools, guns, ammunition, and a gun safe, among other items inside the suspect's home while executing a search warrant.

http://www.willistonherald.com/news/man-accused-of-stealing-small-explosives/article_d52477b8-1df3-11e6-8515-1f6306cdfb91.html

(North Dakota) 105K gallons of saltwater-oil mixture spills in North Dakota. North Dakota officials are investigating after a tank overflow at a Denbury Onshore LLC-operated site caused about 16,800 gallons of oil and over 100,000 gallons of a mixture of saltwater and oil to spill May 18 near the town of Marmarth. An undetermined amount of the spill affected pastureland.

<http://www.startribune.com/105k-gallons-of-saltwater-oil-mixture-spills-in-north-dakota/380209911/>

(North Dakota) Town broke law when it razed building wanted by supremacist. North Dakota's Health Department says Antler broke state law when it razed a building desired by white supremacist Craig Cobb. The small community could theoretically face tens of thousands of dollars in fines.

<http://www.kxnet.com/story/32039285/town-broke-law-when-it-razed-building-wanted-by-supremacist>

REGIONAL

(South Dakota) Keystone Pipeline leak fixed; clean up continues in Hutchinson County. A TransCanada Corporation spokesperson reported May 16 that repairs to the Keystone pipeline in Hutchinson County, South Dakota, were completed but cleanup is continuing following an April incident where the pipeline sprung a leak and spilled about 400 barrels of crude oil in and on farmland south of Freeman. <http://wnax.com/news/180081-keystone-pipeline-leak-fixed-clean-up-continues-in-hutchinson-county/>

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(International) Minnesota woman pleads guilty to faking husband's death for insurance money. A Minnesota woman pleaded guilty May 16 to defrauding Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company out of more than \$2 million in life insurance proceeds by falsely claiming her ex-husband's death after she identified the remains of a body in Moldova as her former husband. Officials stated the woman recruited a third party to open a U.S. bank account and transferred \$1.5 million of the insurance proceeds to her son's account, which was then transferred to bank accounts in Switzerland and Moldova from March 2012 – January 2015. <http://www.fox9.com/news/142050073-story>

NATIONAL

(National) GSA says cyber 'mistake' was 'no breach'; others investigate. The U.S. Government Services Administration's (GSA) inspector general's office issued a management alert stating that over 100 GSA Google Drives were reportedly accessible by users inside and outside of GSA for a 5-month period, potentially exposing sensitive content such as contractor proprietary information and personal identifiable information due to a mistake in the configuration of Slack, an online chat tool used by the GSA office known as 18F. An investigation is ongoing after 18F officials reported May 13 that they discovered and remediated the issue.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2016/05/16/gsa-says-cyber-mistake-was-no-breach-others-investigate/>

(National) TransCanada to replace sections of Keystone. TransCanada Corporation announced May 15 that it plans to dig up and replace sections of its Keystone pipeline that do not meet Federal strength standards in Nebraska, South Dakota, Kansas, Illinois, and Missouri in order to begin pumping oil at higher pressure. The pipeline will be shut down for short periods of time during the project which begins in May and will last through 2017.

http://journalstar.com/news/state-and-regional/nebraska/transcanada-to-replace-sections-of-keystone/article_4974f746-aef0-5078-8a82-dbe1920e932c.html

(National) DOT bans e-cigarettes from checked baggage. The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration announced a final ruling May 18 prohibiting passengers and crewmembers from carrying battery-powered

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portable electronic smoking devices such as e-cigarettes, e-cigs, personal vaporizers, and other electronic nicotine delivery systems in checked baggage, and prohibiting passenger or crewmembers from charging the devices on board an aircraft. Passengers are allowed to carry the electronic smoking devices in carry-on baggage or on their person, but may not use them on flights.

<http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/dot-bans-ecigarettes-from-checked-baggage>

(National) EPA suggests tighter limits for industrial chemical in water. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued stricter guidelines May 19 for human exposure to the chemicals perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), and advised water systems where concentrations of PFOA or PFOS are found above 70 parts per trillion to promptly notify residents and consult with their State drinking water agencies.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/federal_government/epa-suggests-tighter-limits-for-industrial-chemical-in-water/2016/05/19/fc135574-1e16-11e6-82c2-a7dcb313287d_story.html

INTERNATIONAL

(International) Ukrainian hacker admits stealing business press releases for \$30M gain. A Ukrainian citizen pleaded guilty May 16 to Federal charges for his role in a \$30 million hacking scheme where the man and 9 co-conspirators hacked into PR Newswire, Business Wire, and Marketwired to get advance notice on over 150,000 company's earnings statements, and sold the insider trading information for tens of thousands of dollars to traders who executed deals to buy or sell stocks based on the stolen information, which had not yet been released from 2010 – 2015. Officials stated that once the transactions were complete, the traders shared the illegal profits with the hackers through foreign shell companies.

http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2016/05/ukrainian_hacker_admits_stealing_business_press_re.html

(International) Silk Road 3.0 pops up on the Dark Web, once again. A Reddit online thread reported that a new Silk Road marketplace dubbed, Silk Road 3.0, was active after its predecessor site was shut down following an FBI raid that arrested the Web site's users, moderators, and administer. The marketplace was seen actively compiling stolen data, exploits, botnets, drugs, and weapons, among

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other illegal items, for attackers to purchase.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/silk-road-3-0-pops-up-on-the-dark-web-once-again-504089.shtml>

(International) Cyber attackers target US presidential campaigns: Official. The DHS and the FBI are investigating cyberattacks against the campaigns of the U.S. presidential candidates after the director of the U.S. National Intelligence Council reported there were indications that revealed cyber attackers were targeting both the Democratic and Republican representatives. Officials stated the attacks could range from defacement to intrusion. <http://www.securityweek.com/cyber-attackers-target-us-presidential-campaigns-official>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(International) Upgraded Android banking trojan targets users in 200 countries. Security researches from Doctor Web reported that an Android banking trojan dubbed Android.SmsSpy.88. origin, initially discovered in 2014, was updated with new ransomware capabilities including a credit card information stealing capability that targets around 100 banking applications by using WebView to display a phishing window on top of the legitimate banking app, and by utilizing a fake Google Play payment phishing page to intercept and send short message service (SMS) and multimedia messaging service (MMS) messages, send unstructured supplementary service data (USSD) requests, and transmit all saved messages to the server, among other malicious actions. Security researchers stated the trojan has infected over 40,000 devices in over 200 countries.

<http://www.securityweek.com/upgraded-android-banking-trojan-targets-users-200-countries>

(Michigan) Possible security breach at local bank has customers concerned. Southern Michigan Bank and Trust alerted its customers May 6 to a possible security breach targeting the bank chain after a company laptop containing sensitive information including customers' names, addresses, and account numbers, among other data, was stolen from a vehicle owned by the company's operations manager in April. Bank officials stated the laptop is password protected and there have been no indications of an active breach of sensitive

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information. <http://wwmt.com/news/local/possible-security-breach-at-local-bank-has-customers-concerned>

(International) ATMs targeted with improved “Skimer” malware. Researchers at Kaspersky Lab discovered a new version of an ATM malware dubbed, “Skimer” that allows attackers direct interaction with ATMs by inserting two types of cards with specially crafted Track 2 data into the infected machine; one designed to execute commands hardcoded in Track 2, while the other allows attackers to launch 1 of 21 predefined commands using the personal identification number (PIN) and malware interface to dispense money from the machine, collect the details of cards inserted, and print the information collected from cards. Researchers stated attackers can use the malware interface to delete the malware, debug it, and update it with code stored on the special card. <http://www.securityweek.com/atms-targeted-improved-skimer-malware>

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(Michigan) Faith United Reformed Church fire under investigation. Officials are investigating a May 13 fire that destroyed at least half of the Faith United Reformed Church in Ottawa County, Michigan. No injuries were reported and the fire was contained. <http://www.wzzm13.com/news/local/lakeshore/reports-fire-at-faith-united-reformed-church-in-west-olive/189735487>

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

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CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(West Virginia) Fairmont plant fined for unauthorized repairs of nuclear gauge. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) fined Novelis Inc., May 17 for making unauthorized repairs in September 2014 to a gauge that uses radiation to measure the thickness of aluminum produced at the company's Fairmont, West Virginia plant. In addition to the fine, the NRC revoked a license granted to the company for using radiation daily, and issued a "Severity Level III" violation to the engineer who ordered the repairs. <http://thedpost.com/5-17-16-Nuclear-Fine-pg-ah>

(International) 2007-2016 Jeep Wrangler recalled for airbag problem: 506,000 vehicles affected. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles issued a recall May 19 for 392,464 of its model years 2007 – 2016 Jeep Wrangler vehicles and 7,435 of its model years 2011-2016 special-duty, right-hand-drive Jeep Wrangler vehicles sold in the U.S. due to faulty clocksprings that can be compromised following excessive exposure to dust and dirt, thereby preventing driver-side airbags from deploying in a crash. The recall affects an additional 35,412 vehicles in Canada, 8,529 in Mexico, and 62,580 elsewhere. http://www.thecarconnection.com/news/1104048_2007-2016-jeep-wrangler-recalled-for-airbag-problem-506000-vehicles-affected

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Pennsylvania) 4 firefighters charged with submitting false reports to 911. Logan Township police announced May 16 that four volunteer firefighters from the Logan Township United Fire Department's Kittanning Trail Station were charged with allegedly calling 9-1-1 on several occasions between January and March to report false fires in order to ride in a fire truck. <http://wjactv.com/news/local/4-firefighters-charged-with-submitting-false-reports-to-911>

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ENERGY

(National) Fifteen to 20 nuclear units in US 'at risk' of shutdown: Industry official. The president and chief executive officer (CEO) of the Nuclear Energy Institute reported at a U.S. Department of Energy summit May 19 that up to 20 nuclear power units in the U.S. may be at risk of shutting down within the next decade due to economic challenges such as low power prices, competition from natural gas-fired generation, and subsidized renewables.

<http://www.platts.com/latest-news/electric-power/washington/fifteen-to-20-nuclear-units-in-us-at-risk-of-21497100>

(California) Pipeline company indicted in Refugio oil spill. The California attorney general announced May 17 that Texas-based Plains All American Pipeline and one of its employees face several criminal charges and up to \$2.8 million in penalties following a May 2015 incident where more than 140,000 gallons of crude oil was released from the company's pipeline on to Refugio Beach and into the ocean, harming hundreds of species and marine life. The incident was prompted by a severely corroded underground pipeline that broke on land.

<http://abc7.com/news/pipeline-company-indicted-in-refugio-oil-spill/1342313/>

(Nevada) Mirrors blamed for fire at world's largest solar plant. A generating tower at the NRG Energy-operated Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System in California was taken offline until further notice while crews assessed the damage caused by a small fire May 19. Fire officials stated that electrical cables caught fire due to some misaligned mirrors that focused sunbeams on a different level of Unit 3. <http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2016/may/19/misaligned-mirrors-blamed-for-fire-at-california/>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(National) The Quaker Oats Company issues voluntary recall of Quaker Quinoa Granola Bars due to possible health risk. The Quaker Oats Company issued a voluntary recall May 16 for its Quaker Quinoa Granola Bars Chocolate Nut Medley products and Quaker Quinoa Granola Bars Yogurt, Fruit & Nut products packaged in 6.1-ounce boxes due to a potential *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination after the company's ingredient supplier provided the firm with sunflower kernels that may be contaminated with *Listeria*. No illnesses have been reported and the

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products were distributed nationwide.

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm501248.htm>

(Minnesota; Virginia) Officials confirm outbreak linked to Taylor Farms. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed May 17 that Taylor Farms Organic Kale Medley Power Greens products were responsible for the Salmonella Enteritidis outbreak that sickened six people in Minnesota and one in Virginia since April. The products were sold at Sam's Club locations nationwide and Federal officials are monitoring the outbreak for additional victims.

<http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2016/05/officials-confirm-salmonella-outbreak-linked-to-taylor-farms/#.VzsogfkrKUK>

(National) Conagra Foods Packaged Foods, LLC recalls two beef products due to misbranding and an undeclared allergen. ConAgra Foods Packaged Foods, LLC issued a recall May 19 for approximately 84,340 pounds of its Marie's Callender's Salisbury Steak with Roasted Potatoes and Home-Style Gravy served with Cheesy Broccoli & Cauliflower products sold in 14-ounce packages and its Molly's Kitchen Macaroni & Beef with Tomato Sauce products sold in 76-ounce packages due to misbranding and undeclared fish following a shipment error where Worcestershire sauce containing fish was miscoded as Rochester sauce and used in the beef products. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions and the products were distributed to retail distribution centers and institutional customers nationwide. <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2016/recall-042-2016-release>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(New York) High levels of lead shuts down water fountains at several Long Island schools. The Northport-East Northport Schools superintendent reported May 17 that 12 water fountains at Dickinson Avenue Elementary, East Northport Middle School, Northport High School, Ocean Avenue Elementary, Pulaski Road Elementary, and Norwood Avenue Elementary in Long Island were shut down after testing positive for high levels of lead. The district is investigating the source of the lead and potential repair or replacement options.

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<http://pix11.com/2016/05/17/high-levels-of-lead-shuts-down-water-fountains-at-several-long-island-schools/>

(California) Poway data breach affects 30,000-plus students. The Poway Unified School District announced May 16 that it inadvertently released sensitive personal information of 36,444 students and approximately 33,556 parents to one parent in the district in response to a public-records request. The CDs containing the data were returned and secured into the San Diego County District Attorney's office, and the incident remains under investigation.

<http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2016/may/16/poway-data-breach/>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) Data leaked from hacker forum Nulled.io. Risk Based Security reported that the popular forum, Nulled.io was compromised after hackers leaked a 1.3Gb archive containing more than 536,000 user account information including usernames, email addresses, hashed passwords, application program interface (API) credentials for payment gateways, authentication logs, and Internet Protocol (IP) addresses, among other data. Researchers are unsure how the Nulled.io database was compromised and the forum was taken offline due to the attack.

<http://www.securityweek.com/data-leaked-hacker-forum-nulledio>

(International) Researchers crack new version of CryptXXX ransomware.

Researchers from Kaspersky Lab created a new tool titled, RannohDecryptor that will help victims decrypt files and recover lost information affected by the CryptXXX 2.0 malware. Researchers advised users to install software program updates to mitigate ransomware attacks.

<http://www.networkworld.com/article/3070477/researchers-crack-new-version-of-cryptxxx-ransomware.html>

(International) Five-year-old SAP vulnerability affects over 500 companies, not 36. The U.S. Computer Emergency Response Team (US-CERT) issued a public alert to all U.S. companies after ERPScan discovered at least 533 companies were affected by an SAP vulnerability largely due to the companies' failure in installing a SAP security patch issued in 2010. The vulnerability can allow attackers to gain

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complete control of SAP business platforms via a bug in Invoker Servlet, a component in SAP's Java platforms. <http://news.softpedia.com/news/five-year-old-sap-vulnerability-affects-over-500-companies-not-36-504043.shtml>

(International) Meteocontrol patches flaws in Photovoltaic Data logger.

Meteocontrol released an update for all versions of its WEB'log Basic 100, Light, Pro, and Pro unlimited products used in the energy, water, critical manufacturing, and commercial facilities sectors after a security researcher discovered that the products were plagued by critical authentication flaws, information exposure flaws, and a cross-site request forgery (CSRF) flaw that could allow attackers to perform actions on behalf of the user without authentication and access an administrator password in clear text.

<http://www.securityweek.com/meteocontrol-patches-flaws-photovoltaic-data-logger>

PUBLIC HEALTH

(Indiana) Hackers hold DeKalb Health computer systems hostage. DeKalb Health in Indiana announced May 16 that its administrative computers were infected with ransomware, temporarily disrupting operations while officials worked to transfer patients and bring the systems back online. The incident remains under investigation. <http://wane.com/2016/05/16/dekalb-health-hit-with-ransomware/>

TRANSPORTATION

(Pennsylvania) NTSB blames distracted engineer for deadly Amtrak wreck. The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board concluded May 17 that a May 2015 incident where a speeding Amtrak train ran off the rails and crashed in Philadelphia, killing 8 people, was attributed to the engineer being distracted by word of a nearby commuter train getting hit by a rock, as well as the delay in installing Positive Train Control equipment, which can automatically slow down speeding trains. <http://www.wbaltv.com/news/feds-amtrak-engineer-went-from-distraction-to-disaster/39586732>

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WATER AND DAMS

(Texas) Boil water advisory continues into Monday afternoon. The director of the City of Corpus Christi Communications office reported that a boil water advisory will continue through May 16 after nitrogen-rich runoff from rain seeped into the city's water system, impacting chlorine disinfectant used for tap water May 15. Crews took samples for testing and continued to flush the water.

<http://www.caller.com/news/local/boil-water-advisory-continues-into-monday-afternoon-32e4aae7-7bbb-524e-e053-0100007fe991-379583781.html>

(Ohio) Ohio implements new rules for drinking water suppliers. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established new rules which will go into effect June 1 stating that all public water systems that use surface water as a source will be required to monitor and report the occurrence of harmful instances of cyanobacteria and harmful algal blooms (HAB) to the Ohio EPA. The new rules also establish microcystin action levels in drinking water, require public notification in cases of monitoring violations and exceedances of actions levels in drinking water, and the establishment of requirements for laboratory certification, among other rules. <http://www.wkyc.com/news/health/ohio-implements-new-rules-for-drinking-water-suppliers/199011369>

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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst:** 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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