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(North Dakota) Weekend brings lull in Dakota Access Pipeline protests.

Construction was idle and no law enforcement officers were visible Saturday and Sunday at the protest site where the Dakota Access Pipeline would be linked toward the Missouri River, south of Mandan and north of the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/weekend-brings-lull-in-dakota-access-pipeline-protests/article_822d67e5-8f82-5f1f-9691-23be26604b37.html

(North Dakota) Dakota Access pipeline owners sue North Dakota protesters.

Developers of a \$3.8 billion, four-state oil pipeline sued in federal court Monday to stop protesters near an American Indian reservation in North Dakota from interfering with the project, alleging the safety of workers and law enforcement is at risk. <http://www.startribune.com/dakota-access-pipeline-owners-sue-north-dakota-protesters/390210751/>

(North Dakota) 8,400 gallons of oil-saltwater mixture spills near Mohall. The North Dakota Department of Health reported August 10 that approximately 8,400 gallons of a saltwater and oil mixture spilled from a damaged Enduro Operating LLC injection line into a nearby pasture in Bottineau County, North Dakota. Officials were working with the company to develop remediation plans and stated no surface water was impacted. http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/gallons-of-oil-saltwatermixture-spills-near-mohall/article_4801eaf6-9a64-5231-b37f-acd9c2bd63f6.html

(North Dakota) In heated do-over meeting, N.D. Health Council ratifies rules for radioactive oilfield waste. The advisory council to the State Health Department met to replay last August's meeting even as it's being sued by two environmental watchdog groups. The original meeting was deemed illegal because the public did not receive proper notice. The council held to the approval it gave a year ago at the illegal meeting. http://bismarcktribune.com/bakken/in-heated-do-over-meeting-n-d-health-council-ratifies/article_7b3c3eef-d164-55c6-8c38-9569dd4f5287.html

(North Dakota) Bismarck man shot in incident with police. A 49-year-old man was shot by Bismarck Police officers Monday night in the department's fourth

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officer-involved shooting this year.

http://bismarcktribune.com/news/local/bismarck/bismarck-man-shot-in-incident-with-police/article_c04922b3-e333-5e97-a397-44b909d04172.html

REGIONAL

(Minnesota) Officials: 3,500 gallons of lake water and contamination removed; lake and park still closed. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (PCA) worked August 7 to remove approximately 3,500 gallons of lake water and sewage after approximately nearly 5,000 gallons of sewage spilled into the Beaver Lake August 6, prompting the closure of the Beaver Lake County Park. The type and source of the contamination remain under investigation and crews are working to clear the remaining contaminate. <http://www.kaaltv.com/news/sewage-spill-steele-county-beaver-lake-dam-mndnr-mn-pca-residents-homeowners-park-closed/4225703/>

(Montana) Copper King Fire near T. Falls grows to 1,286 acres. Crews worked August 5 to contain the 1,286-acre Copper King Fire burning near Thompson Falls, Montana, which has caused an estimated \$1.3 million in damage. http://www.thewesternnews.com/news/copper-king-fire-near-t-falls-grows-to-acres/article_6d2c9e44-5b2c-11e6-a2be-a3d9160a32fd.html

(South Dakota) ‘It got really rocky’: 24 hospitalized after JetBlue plane ran into severe turbulence. At least 22 passengers and 2 crew members were taken to Rapid City Regional Hospital in South Dakota and treated for minor injuries August 11 after JetBlue flight 429 en route from Boston to Sacramento was forced to make an emergency landing in Rapid City due to extreme turbulence. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2016/08/12/it-gotreally-rocky-24-hospitalized-after-jetblue-plane-ran-into-severe-turbulence/>

NATIONAL

(National) DEA Keeps Marijuana Classified As Schedule 1 Narcotic. The Washington Post (8/11, Ingraham) reports the DEA has denied a petition to move cannabis from Schedule 1 to Schedule 2 under the Controlled Substances Act. DEA Administrator Chuck Rosenberg explained the agency’s decision, writing, “The

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FDA drug approval process for evaluating potential medicines has worked effectively in this country for more than 50 years...It is a thorough, deliberate and exacting process grounded in science, and properly so, because the safety of our citizens relies on it.”

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2016/08/11/the-deas-latest-stance-on-marijuana-explained/>

(National) Milwaukee man shot by police seen with gun in body camera footage, officials say. The man who was shot and killed by a Milwaukee police officer on Saturday – an incident which sparked a night of violent protests – is seen on body camera footage with a loaded gun in his hand, officials said at a Sunday news conference. The Milwaukee Mayor spoke directly to the community after a night of unruliness in which six businesses were set on fire. Police arrested 18 individuals – including four for burglary – during the melee and first responders tended to a 16-year-old woman who was shot and sustained non-life threatening injuries. <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2016/08/14/milwaukee-man-shot-by-police-seen-with-gun-in-body-camera-footage-officials-say.html>

(National) Mississippi woman sentenced to 12 years for trying to join ISIS in trip disguised as honeymoon. A Mississippi woman who once sought to disguise a planned journey to join the Islamic State group as her honeymoon was sentenced by a federal judge Thursday to 12 years in prison on a terrorism charge. <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2016/08/11/mississippi-woman-sentenced-to-12-years-for-trying-to-join-isis-in-trip-disguised-as-honeymoon.html>

INTERNATIONAL

(International) FBI Tip Leads To Arrest Of Terror Suspect In Ontario.

The Tampa Bay Times reported an FBI tip to Canadian police helped to thwart a “terror attack just before it was about to happen.” The FBI discovered information about a potential suicide bomber, and Canadian police arrested the suspect several hours later. The Times added that the suspect was viewed in a “martyrdom video” and authorities worked quickly to identify and find the man. <http://www.tampabay.com/news/world/canada-report-fbi-tip-leads-to-terror-suspect-in-ontario/2289324>

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(International) Thailand rocked by 11 bombs in one day. Five provinces in Thailand have been hit by 11 bombings in less than a day, authorities say. At least four Thai nationals have been killed and about 36 others were injured, including 10 foreigners, according to Anurak Amornpetchsathaporn with the Ministry of Public Health. <http://www.cnn.com/2016/08/12/asia/thailand-explosions/>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(International) New ATM hacking method uses stolen EMV card data. Rapid7 researchers discovered that Europay, Mastercard, and Visa (EMV) cards are susceptible to fraudulent transactions after finding that an attacker could insert a shimming device into the card slot of a point-of-sale (PoS) system to intercept and capture card data, which is then remotely sent to another device, dubbed “La-Cara.” La-Cara feeds the stolen transaction data to the targeted ATM, thereby allowing the fraudsters to withdraw up to \$50,000 from the victim’s card. <http://www.securityweek.com/new-atm-hacking-method-uses-stolen-emv-carddata>

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(International) Criminal group uses LogMeIn to compromise PoS systems with malware. Researchers from PandaLabs discovered a criminal group was using compromised LogMeIn accounts belonging to systems running point-of-sale (PoS) software and connected to PoS terminals to access over 200 devices and infect them with the PunkeyPOS, Multigrain, or PosCardStealer malware. The researchers reported that the hackers exploited weak login credentials or discovered the login credentials from other sources. <http://news.softpedia.com/news/criminal-group-uses-logmein-to-compromisepos-systems-with-malware-507112.shtml>

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

(International) New vulnerabilities affect over 900 million Android devices, enable complete control of devices. Security researchers from Check Point reported four vulnerabilities, dubbed QuadRooter were affecting the software drivers in Qualcomm chipsets used in over 900 million Android smartphones and tablets and could trigger privilege escalations and gain root access to a device, allowing an attacker to change or remove system-level files, delete or add apps, and access the device's screen, among other privileges, if any one of the four vulnerabilities is exploited. Check Point released a free QuadRooter scanner app that allows Android users to determine if their device is vulnerable, and advised Android users to download and install the latest software updates, among other practices, in order to avoid attacks.

<https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2016/08/08/quadrooter-androidvulnerabilities/>

(National) AT&T to pay \$7.75 million for allowing sham directory-assistance calls. The Federal Communications Commission announced August 8 that AT&T Inc. will pay a total of \$7.75 million in Federal fines and refunds to affected customers after the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency discovered that AT&T allowed Discount Directory Inc. and Enhanced Telecommunications Services to fraudulently charge thousands of consumers for a monthly directory-assistance service on their AT&T landline telephone bills. As part of the settlement, AT&T must cease billing for nearly all third-party products and services on landline bills, and adopt procedures to obtain express consent from customers prior to allowing third-party charges. <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-at-t-fcc-idUSKCN10J1TX>

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(International) Hundreds of millions of cars can be easily unlocked by attackers. Security researchers discovered two remote system attacks capable of unlocking millions of cars including one attack that targets Volkswagen Group cars and involves recovering the cryptographic algorithms and keys from electronic control units, which allows an attacker to clone the signal to open the vehicle, and another attack that exploits the cryptographically weak cipher in Hitag2 rolling code scheme used by manufacturers like Chevrolet and Ford, among others, to unlock the vehicle. <https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2016/08/11/cars-easily-unlocked-attackers/>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Illinois) Gangs Threaten Chicago Police. The Chicago Sun-Times reports that leaders from three gang factions active on the West Side of Chicago met Thursday to discuss plans to shoot members of the Chicago Police Department in response to a police involved shooting last week. The CPD issued an alert about the meetings to officers and staff on Friday, saying that one gang – the Four Corner Hustlers – had provided other gangs with automatic weapons to shoot police officers. <http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/cpd-says-three-west-side-gangs-plotting-to-shoot-cops/>

(Texas) Dallas Police To Wear Better Protective Gear, Take Firmer Stance On Protests. The Dallas Morning News reports Dallas Police Chief David Brown said his officers will wear better protective gear and “take a firmer stance on protests and officer safety after last month’s ambush of officers downtown.” Brown says police will be “stricter about keeping crowds out of the street.” <http://www.dallasnews.com/news/local-news/20160809-dallas-police-will-wear-more-protective-gear-be-stricter-during-protests-after-downtown-ambush.ece>

(Utah) Utah Police Officer’s Drink Poisoned At Restaurant. The AP reports a police officer’s drink was poisoned at a drive-thru sandwich shop in northern Utah. The officer was sent to the hospital on Monday and the department found out the “police sergeant’s drink had been spiked with methamphetamine and THC.” The restaurant employee who served the drink was “arrested on suspicion of surreptitiously giving a poisonous substance.” <http://fox13now.com/2016/08/09/teen-arrested-for-poisoning-layton-police-sergeant-at-subway/>

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ENERGY

(Delaware) \$36M gas pipeline project in Del. wins federal approval. Federal officials approved a \$32 million pipeline project August 6 that permits Eastern Shore Natural Gas to extend natural gas transmission lines, install more than 10 miles of underground pipelines, and build new compression facilities in New Castle and Kent counties in Delaware, among other plans in an effort to strengthen its transmission infrastructure. The project will begin in September 2016 and is expected to be completed in 2017.

<http://www.delawareonline.com/story/money/business/delawareinc/2016/08/06/36mgas-pipeline-project-del-wins-federal-approval/88332416/>

(California) Pacific Gas & Electric guilty: Utility convicted of obstruction in San Bruno blast probe. Pacific Gas & Electric Co. (PG&E) was found guilty August 9 of violating pipeline safety regulations and misleading investigators about how the utility identified high-risk pipelines after the utility failed to gather information pertinent to evaluating potential gas line threats and failed to classify a gas line as high risk prior to a fatal natural gas pipeline explosion in 2010 that killed 8 people and destroyed 38 homes in San Bruno, California. The utility could be fined up to \$3 million for the violations.

<http://www.smdailyjournal.com/articles/news/2016-08-10/pacific-gas-electricguilty-utility-convicted-of-obstruction-in-san-bruno-blast-probe/1776425166449.html>

(Michigan) Crews extinguish fire at Michigan power plant; no injuries. The DTE Energy Co. facility in East China Township, Michigan, was evacuated and closed until further notice August 11 following a fire that began after a coal-fired generation unit caught fire. Officials closed surrounding roads while they worked to contain the blaze and no injuries were reported.

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/crews-work-overnight-battling-firemichigan-power-plant-41322326>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(National) Gel Spice, Inc., issues expanded recall of ground turmeric powder due to elevated lead levels. Gel Spice, Inc., expanded a previous recall August 5 for its

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ground turmeric powder products sold under seven brands after sampling and testing revealed elevated levels of lead in a product produced from the same bulk turmeric as the ground turmeric powder products. No illnesses have been reported and the products were distributed to retailers nationwide.

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515328.htm>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Colorado) 5 acres of marijuana found in Pike National Forest. Authorities are investigating August 11 after the U.S. Forest Service discovered a 5-acre illegal marijuana grow operation in Pike National Forest in Jefferson, Colorado, consisting of about 18,300 plants and 2,000 pounds of infrastructure including irrigation pipes, chemicals, and fertilizer, among other materials.

<http://gazette.com/5-acres-of-marijuana-found-in-pike-nationalforest/article/1582517>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) Linux botnets dominate the DDoS landscape. Kaspersky Lab released its distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) Intelligence Report which reported that Linux botnets accounted for 70.2 percent of all DDoS attacks initiated during quarter 2 (Q2) of 2016, while only 44.5 percent of DDoS attacks were carried out by Linux botnets in quarter 1. The report also stated that SYN DDoS attacks were the most popular methods for DDoS attacks during Q2, followed by transmission control protocol (TCP), Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTP), and Internet control message protocol (ICMP) floods.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/linux-botnets-dominate-the-ddos-landscape507043.shtml>

(International) New Remcos RAT available for purchase on underground hacking forums. Symnatec researchers reported that a malware developer dubbed Viotto posted the Remcos Remote Access Trojan (RAT) targeting Microsoft Windows versions XP and higher for sale on underground hacking forums, which allows hackers the ability to take screenshots of infected computers, log keystrokes offline or in real times, and record content via the infected device's camera,

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among other malicious actions, and send the stolen data encrypted via Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) to the command and control (C&C) server.

Researchers also discovered the trojan can queue operations to be carried out when the victim goes online and includes a password dumping component that can dump passwords from applications like Microsoft's Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, and Apple Inc.'s Safari, among others.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/new-remcos-rat-available-for-sale-onunderground-hacking-forums-507018.shtml>

PUBLIC HEALTH

(National) Hospira issues a voluntary nationwide recall for one lot of 0.25% Bupivacaine Hydrochloride Injection, USP due to the presence of particulate matter within a single vial. Hospira, Inc., issued a voluntary recall August 5 for one lot of its 0.25% Bupivacaine Hydrochloride Injection products due to the presence of particulate matter after the company received a complaint stating particulate matter was found in one vial. No illnesses or adverse reactions have been reported and the products were distributed to wholesalers and hospitals nationwide. <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515199.htm>

(National) Newkirk medical records breach impacts 3.3M, Blue Cross Blue Shield customers affected. Newkirk Products, Inc., announced August 5 that approximately 3.3 million customers covered by select health insurance plans including multiple Blue Cross Blue Shield branches were notified of a data breach after an unauthorized individual gained access to a server containing names, mailing addresses, member and group ID numbers, and Medicaid ID numbers, among other personal information May 21. Officials shut down the server and the breach remains under investigation. <http://www.scmagazine.com/unauthorized-individual-gains-access-to-a-servercontaining-data-on-33m/article/514741/>

(National) FDA approves Heron's therapy for chemotherapy-induced nausea. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved August 10 Heron Therapeutics Inc.'s long-acting injection drug, Sustol to prevent chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting in patients for up to 5 days. <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-heron-inc-fda-idUSKCN10L1D1>

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TRANSPORTATION

(International) Delta cancels 300 flights on second day of computer outage fallout. Delta Airlines was forced to cancel 300 more flights August 9 after a power outage caused a computer system failure, forcing the cancelation of approximately 1,000 flights August 8. <http://www.ajc.com/news/business/delta-cancels-250-flights-on-second-day-ofcompute/nsCYP/>

(Kentucky) Train hauling hazardous materials derails in Falmouth, Kentucky. All roads into Falmouth, Kentucky, were closed August 10 after 24 cars from a CSX train carrying hazardous materials derailed, prompting officials to evacuate a local elementary school, issue a shelter-in-place order, and issue a flight restriction over the affected area. CSX officials were monitoring the air quality and working to clear the wreckage. <http://www.wcpo.com/news/region-northern-kentucky/train-cars-derail-infalmouth>

(Nevada) 3D Printed Gun Found In Carry-On In Nevada. The Houston Chronicle reports on the discovery of a gun “built entirely from parts made with a 3-D printer” and loaded “with live ammunition” in a carry-on at the Reno/Tahoe airport. <http://www.chron.com/news/nation-world/article/TSA-stops-passenger-with-3D-gun-loaded-with-live-9129405.php>

WATER AND DAMS

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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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