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- Authorities are investigating two dry ice bomb explosions at Los Angeles International Airport October 13-14 and the discovery of two others placed around the airport. – *Associated Press* (See item [6](#))
- A Costco store in El Camino Real in San Francisco recalled approximately 39,755 pounds of its Kirkland-branded rotisserie chicken and several other related products believed to be connected to Salmonella illnesses October 13. – *Campbell Patch* (See item [10](#))
- The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission reported an October 12 overflow of 6 million gallons of diluted wastewater in Accokeek. – *WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* (See item [12](#))
- Xerox Corp. reported that a power failure at a data center was the cause of an outage for the food stamp system affecting recipients in 17 States October 12. – *Associated Press* (See item [29](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *October 15, KLTV 7 Tyler* – (Texas) **Explosion, fire reported at Smith Co. oil production facility.** Officials are investigating a fire at a Vess Oil Corp. skimming station in Smith County, Texas, October 14 that caused thousands of gallons of an oil and saltwater mixture to leak from storage tanks after a couple of small buildings caught fire and spread.
Source: <http://www.kltv.com/story/23690616/explosion-fire-reported-at-smith-co-oil-production-facility>
2. *October 14, CBS News; Associated Press* – (Arkansas) **Arrest made over Arkansas power grid attacks.** Authorities arrested and charged a Jacksonville man October 12 in connection with several acts of sabotage to a central Arkansas power grid after three incidents at electrical substations around the State.
Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-201_162-57607369/arrest-made-over-arkansas-power-grid-attacks/

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

3. *October 15, Richmond Times-Dispatch* – (Virginia) **North Anna nuclear reactor returned to service after unplanned shutdown.** Dominion Virginia Power, owners of the North Anna nuclear power station in Louisa County, reported the cause of an October 11 unplanned shutdown was a protection relay connected to a service transformer that was not returned to its proper configuration, which triggered North Anna's Unit 1's turbine generator to shut down and take the reactor offline. Service was returned October 13 following the maintenance mishap.
Source: http://www.timesdispatch.com/news/state-regional/north-anna-nuclear-reactor-returned-to-service-after-unplanned-shutdown/article_0a3e9d6a-34e1-11e3-ada7-0019bb30f31a.html
4. *October 14, KPHO 5 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Small leak found at Palo Verde Nuclear Power Plant.** Arizona Public Service officials reported the discovery of a small leak of radioactive water the week of October 7 but indicated the leak never posed a threat to the community.
Source: <http://www.kpho.com/story/23672968/small-leak-found-at-palo-verde-nuclear-power-plant>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Financial Services Sector

5. *October 11, WRC-TV 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Virginia) **Beacon Hill Bandit apparently strikes again.** A bank robber believed to have struck the same TD Bank branch near Beacon Hill Shopping Center in Alexandria six times between March 2010 and September 2013 is believed to have struck again at an Annandale TD Bank branch October 10.

Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Beacon-Hill-Bandit-Strikes-Again-227408631.html>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *October 15, Associated Press* – (California) **Second dry ice explosion reported at LA airport.** Authorities reported a second bomb exploded October 14 following the discovery of two additional dry ice bombs at the Los Angeles International Airport October 14 and after a dry ice bomb exploded in a terminal 2 employee bathroom October 13. Officials are investigating the incidents that did not cause any injuries but did delay up to four flights and disrupt airport screening operations.

Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/story?section=news/state&id=9287515>

7. *October 14, Associated Press* – (Florida) **Boat capsizes near Miami; 30 people rescued.** Officials are investigating after a 45-foot boat near the Miami Seaquarium and Good Samaritans capsized and tossed 30 people into the sea October 13. All of those on board were rescued with no reported injuries.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/boat-capsizes-near-miami-30-people-rescued>

8. *October 14, West Virginia MetroNews*– (West Virginia) **Several still recovering from train accident; investigation continues.** An accident involving a semi-truck carrying logs crashed into a train on Route 250 in Randolph County, West Virginia, and injured more than 20 people October 11. The State Public Service Commission is investigating the accident.

Source: <http://wvmetronews.com/2013/10/14/several-still-recovering-from-train->

[accident-investigation-continues/](#)

9. *October 14, Associated Press; Gannett Wisconsin Media* – (Wisconsin) **Workers begin bolstering Leo Frigo Bridge.** A temporary steel frame was constructed October 14 to support a two feet sag in Green Bay’s Leo Frigo Memorial Bridge that has been closed since September 25 while State and federal investigators work to diagnose the problem.
Source: <http://www.sheboyganpress.com/viewart/20131014/SHE0101/310140183/Workers-begin-bolstering-Leo-Frigo-Bridge>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

10. *October 13, Campbell Patch* – (California) **Costco recalls chicken products due to possible Salmonella contamination.** A Costco store in El Camino Real in San Francisco recalled approximately 39,755 pounds of Kirkland Signature Foster Farms rotisserie chicken and several other Kirkland Farm rotisserie chicken products that may be contaminated with a strain of Salmonella Heidelberg October 13. The recall was initiated due to Salmonella illnesses associated with consumption of rotisserie chicken purchased at the Costco El Camino Real store.
Source: http://campbell.patch.com/groups/business-news/p/costco-recalls-chicken-products-due-to-possible-salmonella-contamination_5243826d

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

11. *October 12, Denver Post* – (Colorado) **Lafayette water OK after testing for E. coli.** City of Lafayette officials rescinded an October 11 boil water advisory October 12, following additional tests confirming the E. coli contamination was eliminated.
Source: http://www.denverpost.com/portal/breakingnews/ci_24296535/lafayette-testing-saturday-see-if-e-coli-still?_loopback=1
12. *October 12, WUSA 9 Washington, D.C.* – (Maryland) **6M gallons of wastewater overflows in Accokeek.** The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission reported the cause of an October 12 overflow of 6 million gallons of diluted wastewater in Accokeek was the result of a valve being left in the wrong position at the Piscataway wastewater plant. A separate spill of unknown size of untreated diluted wastewater, which spilled from a wastewater pumping station in Fort Washington into Broad Creek October 11, was caused by heavy rainfall that overwhelmed the station’s capacity.
Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/news/article/278629/158/Heavy-rains-lead-to-sewage-overflow-in-Md>
13. *October 11, Nisqually Valley News*– (Washington) **Clearwood water advisory remains.** The Clearwood Community Association is working with the State

Department of Health to determine the cause of contamination that led to a boil water advisory issued the October 3 following the discovery of E.coli bacteria in its water supply.

Source: http://www.yelmonline.com/news/local_news/article_28386366-3291-11e3-9b76-001a4bcf887a.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

14. *October 15, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Insurer accuses 46 Minnesota chiropractors, MRI firm of fraud.** A \$1.9 million federal lawsuit filed October 14 by Illinois Farmers Insurance Co. and some of its subsidiaries claimed Mobile Diagnostic Imaging Inc. and its 46 chiropractors took advantage of Minnesota's no-fault lawsuit in a kick-back scheme that staged accidents and defrauded auto insurers by ordering MRIs on patients when not medically necessary. Under law up to \$20,000 in medical expenses are paid by the insurer regardless of who is at fault in the accident.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/business/227753891.html>

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Government Facilities Sector

15. *October 15, KSLA 12 Shreveport* – (Texas) **Classes canceled for Elysian Fields ISD due to water outage.** School officials canceled classes at Elysian Fields Independent School District in Texas October 15 due to a water outage prompted by drainage and piping work on the school's system.
Source: <http://www.ksla.com/story/23691358/classes-canceled-for-elysian-field-isd-due-to-water-main-break>
16. *October 14, Associated Press* – (Nebraska) **Transformer failure affects Nebraska college.** The telephone system, email, student and faculty portal, and blackboard learning system at Western Nebraska Community College were knocked out during a scheduled power outage after a transformer failed. Crews worked to restore service by October 15, before students returned from fall break.
Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/news/article/Transformer-failure-affects-Nebraska-college-4894958.php>
17. *October 14, KHOU 11 Houston; KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **Texas school district cancels classes due to flood damage.** Classes at Selman Intermediate and Sealy Junior High School in Texas were cancelled October 14 due to flood damage. Classes were scheduled to resume October 15 after crews cleaned up the sites.
Source: <http://www.kvue.com/news/state/Texas-school-district-cancels-classes-due-to-flood-damage-227678461.html>
18. *October 11, Associated Press* – (Alaska) **Spokeswoman: White powder deemed nonhazardous.** The State Office Building in Juneau, Alaska, was evacuated and closed

October 11 after a white substance was discovered on a package delivered to the facility. Investigators identified the white powder as a packing foam product and cleared the scene.

Source: <http://www.mercedsunstar.com/2013/10/11/3272079/white-powder-prompts-evacuation.html>

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Emergency Services Sector

19. *October 14, Green Bay Press-Gazette* – (Wisconsin) **Service restored to Brown County 911 system.** Brown County's 9-1-1 emergency phone system suffered a 4 hour outage October 14 allegedly due to an issue with their provider AT&T's, service.

Source:

<http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/article/20131014/GPG0101/310140258/Outage-hits-Brown-County-s-911-system>

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Information Technology Sector

20. *October 15, Softpedia* – (International) **Android scareware delivered via advertising SDK.** Experts from Bitdefender uncovered several legitimate applications that include the Android advertising SDK from InMobi being leveraged by cybercriminals to distribute a piece of scamware that charges users a certain amount of money for receiving wallpapers and ringtones by signing them up for a premium-rate mobile service.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Android-Scareware-Delivered-via-Advertising-SDK-391235.shtml>

21. *October 14, Softpedia* – (International) **Phishing Scam: Urgent Windows error fix alert from Microsoft.** Researchers from Sophos discovered fake Microsoft phishing emails that are being used by cybercriminals to leverage problems with recent patches put out by the company in order to gain personal information from users.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Phishing-Scam-Urgent-Windows-Error-Fix-Alert-from-Microsoft-390965.shtml>

22. *October 14, Softpedia* – (International) **GitHub down due to DDoS attack- 10/14/2013.** The Web sites of GitHub and Gist were targeted for denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks and maintained a yellow status while they mitigated and investigated if all attacks have ceased.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/GitHub-Down-Due-to-DDOS-Attack-10-14-2013-390902.shtml>

23. *October 14, IDG News Service* – (International) **D-Link to padlock router backdoor**

by Halloween. D-Link announced it will release firmware updates by the end of October to address a vulnerability in affected routers consisting of a backdoor-type function that can be used to bypass normal authentication procedures on its web-based user interfaces.

Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/101413-d-link-to-padlock-router-backdoor-274804.html>

24. *October 14, Krebs on Security* – (International) **Thousands of sites hacked via vBulletin hole.** Security firm Imperva announced over 35,000 Web sites powered by the forum software vBulletin were hacked through a vulnerability that allowed attackers to use automated, open-source exploit tools to add administrator accounts to vulnerable sites.

Source: <http://krebsonsecurity.com/2013/10/thousands-of-sites-hacked-via-vbulletin-hole/>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <https://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

25. *October 15, Oklahoma City Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **Verizon wins heated OKC bankruptcy auction for Stelera assets.** Verizon Wireless won control over some of the assets of failed Oklahoma City-based Stelera Wireless following its \$32.2 million auction bid October 14. Stelera Wireless participated in a government stimulus program to improve high-speed broadband access in rural areas.

Source: <http://www.menafn.com/14da255d-f798-4942-a3a9-a3f418d14627/Verizon-wins-heated-OKC-bankruptcy-auction-for-Stelera-assets?src=main>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

26. *October 14, KCOY 12 Santa Maria* – (California) **Man arrested in connection to arson fire in Santa Maria Saturday.** Santa Maria police arrested a man connected to a fire at the Town Center Hotel October 12, which displaced 43 residents and caused an estimated \$1 million in damages to the property and further \$400,000 in other damages.

Source: <http://www.kcoy.com/story/23674955/santa-maria-hotel-fire>

27. *October 14, WMMT 3 Kalamazoo* – (Michigan) **Dozens injured and displaced after Kzoo apartment fire, two victims identified.** Investigators are looking into an apartment fire that left one dead and displaced dozens October 13. The Village

Apartment complex was previously identified as having faulty smoke detectors in several units.

Source: <http://wwmt.com/news/features/featured/stories/dozens-injured-displaced-after-kzoo-apartment-fire-two-victims-identified-3027.shtml>

28. *October 14, Associated Press* – (Oklahoma) **2 in custody for shooting of 5 at Tulsa event.** Tulsa police arrested two Hmong men involved in an October 12 shooting at a Hmong New Year's festival that injured five people.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/2-in-custody-for-shooting-of-5-at-tulsa-event>
29. *October 13, Associated Press* – (National) **Xerox: Access restored to food stamp users.** Xerox Corp. reported that a power failure at a data center was the cause of an outage for the food stamp system affecting recipients in 17 States October 12, but was restored October 13.
Source:
<http://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/money/business/2013/10/13/xerox-access-restored-to-food-stamp-users/2975585/>
30. *October 13, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Beverly Center evacuated after thousands show up to see band.** Los Angeles fire officials ordered the evacuation of the Beverly Center October 13 after thousands of fans showed up at the mall for a meet and greet with Australian band Janoskians originally expected to have attracted a few hundred people. The evacuation impacted fans, shoppers, and employees.
Source:
http://abclocal.go.com/kabc/story?section=news/local/los_angeles&id=9285987
31. *October 12, Chicago Tribune* – (Chicago) **60 evacuated after Edgewater Beach roof collapse.** The Chicago Fire Department ordered the evacuation of 60 residents from 46 apartments in Edgewater Beach October 11 after the building's roof partially collapsed after a contractor repairing the roof moved too many materials to one spot.
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-building-evacuated-after-edgewater-beach-roof-collapse-20131011,0,121868.story>
32. *October 11, KATV 7 Little Rock* – (Arkansas) **Copper thieves strike NLR Salvation Army again, thousands in damages.** The North Little Rock Salvation Army was struck by copper thieves for the second time in two months October 10 causing \$20,000 in damages to the property.
Source: <http://www.katv.com/story/23672600/copper-thieves-strike-nlr-salvation-army-again-thousands-in-damages>

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