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- Utility crews worked to restore power to 29,000 customers that remained without service in Spokane County November 23 while public schools remained closed through November 27 following a November 17 winter storm. – *Associated Press* (See item **1**)
- The U.S. Department of State issued a worldwide travel alert November 23 through February 24 citing increased threats from militant groups, and urged the public to remain vigilant and ware of surroundings during travel. – *Reuters* (See item **9**)
- Highway 42 in Clayton was shut down between Glen Laurel and Castleberry Road for approximately 14 hours November 23 – November 24 after crews hit an 8-inch underground gas line in the area that caused a gas leak. – *WTVD 11 Durham* (See item **10**)
- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are investigating cases of E.coli illnesses linked to Costco Wholesale chicken salad products in Colorado, Montana, Utah, and Washington November 23. – *Associated Press* (See item **18**)

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Energy Sector

1. *November 23, Associated Press* – (Washington) **Tens of thousands in Washington state shiver without power.** Utility crews worked to restore power to 29,000 customers that remained without service in Spokane County November 23 following a November 17 winter storm that downed power poles and trees, and knocked out power to 180,000 customers. Public schools were closed through November 27 due to the outage and debris that blocked sidewalks.
   Source: http://www.theolympian.com/news/state/washington/article46036540.html

2. *November 23, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP fines Chesapeake Appalachia $1.4 million for stream impacts caused by well pad landslide.** Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC will pay a $1.4 million fine in a settlement reached November 23 with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection resolving violations of the State's Oil and Gas Act, Clean Streams Law, and Dams Safety and Encroachments Act following a September 2011 landslide that occurred at the Stinger 8H gas well in Aleppo Township, Greene County, which effected several tributaries of Harts Run.
   Source:
   http://www.ahs.dep.pa.gov/NewsRoomPublic/articleviewer.aspx?id=20880&typeid=1

3. *November 22, Associated Press* – (South Dakota) **Glacial Lakes Energy planning upgrades in Mina, Watertown.** Glacial Lakes Energy announced November 22 that it will spend $23 million to upgrade its ethanol production facilities in Mina and Watertown, which will include improvements to help put out more ethanol without processing additional corn, and improvements to the unit train capability to add additional ethanol storage.
   Source: http://www.argusleader.com/story/news/2015/11/22/glacial-lakes-energy-planning-upgrades-mina-watertown/76223052/

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

4. *November 23, Morris Herald-News* – (Illinois) **Dresden Station Unit 2 returned to service after planned refueling.** Officials from Dresden Generating Station reported November 23 that its Unit 2 reactor returned to full power operations November 22 following a 19-day refueling and maintenance outage that replaced and updated equipment and ensured the plant used the most up-to-date technology.
   Source: http://www.morrisherald-news.com/2015/11/23/dresden-station-unit-2-returned-to-service-after-planned-refueling/aogxu7v/

5. *November 23, Kalamazoo Gazette* – (Michigan) **Palisades Nuclear Plant receives license amendments; NRC says plant is safe.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued 2 license amendments November 23 for embrittlement after an

investigation at Entergy-owned Palisades Power Plant revealed its Covert Township facility did not pose a health and safety threat to the public and also demonstrated proper safety operations.
Source: http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf/2015/11/palisades_2.html

Critical Manufacturing Sector

6. *November 23, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Ohio) **Power press operator loses 3 fingers at Akron metal stamping plant.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Ohio Gasket & Shim Company, a metal stamping facility in Akron November 19, for 1 willful and 12 serious safety violations for failing to install safety guards, failing to test and inspect machine safety procedures, and failing to supervise a mechanical power press after the machine struck an employee who lost 3 fingers. Proposed fines total $103,600.
Source:
https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29070

7. *November 23, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **Granite City steel mill shut down.** Officials from U.S. Steel reported November 23 that the company will idle its operations and indefinitely lay off 2,000 workers at its Granite City Works facility in Illinois due to the state of the global and oil markets including reduced oil rig counts and imports and depressed steel prices.
Source: http://stlouis.cbslocal.com/2015/11/23/granite-city-steel-mill-shut-down/

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

8. *November 24, Softpedia* – (International) **ModPOS is a sophisticated criminal malware framework targeting POS devices.** Security specialists from iSIGHT Partners discovered November 24 a new complex form of malware called ModPOS that targets U.S. retailers' point-of-sale (PoS) systems via its three modules including Uploader/Downloader, Keylogger, and POS Scrapper that use obfuscation and encryption to evade security software and use its command and control (C&C) server to instruct the infected device to fetch other modules, once the stolen information is deemed valuable.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/modpos-is-a-sophisticated-criminal-malware-framework-targeting-pos-devices-496643.shtml

For another story, see item **35**

Transportation Systems Sector

9. *November 24, Reuters* – (International) **U.S. issues global travel alert as manhunt**

continues for Paris attackers. The U.S. Department of State issued a worldwide travel alert November 23 through February 24 citing increased threats from militant groups, and urged the public to remain vigilant and aware of surroundings during travel.
Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/11/24/us-france-shooting-belgium-idUSKCN0TA03H20151124

10. *November 24, WTVD 11 Durham –* (North Carolina) **NC-42 reopen after major gas leak in Clayton.** Highway 42 in Clayton was shut down between Glen Laurel and Castleberry Road for approximately 14 hours November 23 – November 24 after crews hit an 8-inch underground gas line in the area that caused a gas leak.
Source: http://abc11.com/traffic/nc-42-shut-down-in-clayton-due-to-major-gas-leak/1096312/

11. *November 24, Oshkosh Northwestern* – (Illinois) **Tractor crash closes I-41, woman injured.** Southbound lanes of Interstate Highway 41 in Winnebago County were closed for approximately 5 hours November 23 while crews cleared debris following an accident involving 2 vehicles that sent 1 driver to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.
Source: http://www.thenorthwestern.com/story/news/local/oshkosh/2015/11/24/tractor-crash-closes--41-woman-injured/76301936/

12. *November 24, Associated Press* – (California) **Metro Blue Line tracks remain shut following train – car crash.** Metro Blue Line tracks in the Compton and Willowbrook areas were closed at least through November 24 following a November 23 accident involving a vehicle and a train that left 1 person injured and caused damage to the tracks and rail system.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/ci_29159530/metro-blue-line-tracks-remain-shut-following-train

13. *November 24, WWLP 22 Springfield* – (Massachusetts) **Train derailment in West Springfield; bridge re-opened.** The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge between West Springfield and Agawam was closed for 3 hours November 24 after 5 train cars from a CSX Transportation train derailed near West Springfield.
Source: http://wwlp.com/2015/11/24/strathmore-bridge-closed-due-to-train-derailment/

14. *November 23, Elmira Star-Gazette* – (New York) **One dead after I-86 crash.** Eastbound lanes of Interstate 86 east of Elmira were shut down for several hours November 23 while officials investigated the scene of a 2-vehicle crash that left 1 driver dead and a second driver injured.
Source: http://www.stargazette.com/story/news/2015/11/23/one-dead-after--86-crash/76295456/

15. *November 23, Fort Worth Star-Telegram* – (Texas) **Man killed in Fort Worth I-35W wreck identified, 4 injured.** One person was killed and 4 others were injured following a multi-vehicle accident involving 2 semi-trucks and 3 vehicles on Interstate 35 West in north Fort Worth that shut down southbound lanes for more than 3 hours

November 23.
Source: http://www.star-telegram.com/news/local/community/fort-worth/article46042830.html

16. *November 23, KARE 11 Minneapolis* – (Minnesota) **Fatal crash closes Hwy 212 in Chaska for nearly 5 hours.** All eastbound lanes and all but 1 westbound lane of Highway 212 in Chaska were shut down for nearly 4 hours November 23 following a crash involving 2 vehicles that left 1 person dead and a second person injured.
Source: http://www.kare11.com/story/traffic/2015/11/23/serious-crash-closes-hwy-212-in-chaska/76251186/

17. *November 23, Topeka Capital-Journal* – (Kansas) **US-75 highway in Jackson County re-opened Monday evening following afternoon rollover.** Northbound and southbound lanes of U.S. 75 Highway in Jackson County were closed for more than 6 hours November 23 while crews cleared the scene following a 2-vehicle crash that left 1 person injured.
Source: http://cjonline.com/news/2015-11-23/us-75-highway-jackson-county-re-opened-monday-evening-following-afternoon-rollover

For another story, see item **3**

Food and Agriculture Sector

18. *November 23, Associated Press* – (National) **Costco pulls chicken salad off shelves due to E. coli.** The Washington State Department of Health reported November 23 that at least one case of E. coli in King County was linked to chicken salad purchased at Costco Wholesale Corporation stores after a person fell ill from consuming the product. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that Colorado, Montana, and Utah have also confirmed E. coli cases linked to the product.
Source: http://www.king5.com/story/news/local/2015/11/23/costco-pulls-chicken-salad-off-shelves-due-to-e-coli/76295426/

19. *November 23, Pottstown Mercury* – (Pennsylvania) **Spotted Lanternfly quarantine spreads in Berks, Montco.** The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture issued a limited movement quarantine November 18 for15 municipalities in Berks and Montgomery counties due to sightings of the invasive Spotted Lanternfly. Department officials reported that the invasive pest has the potential to damage the viticulture (grape), tree fruit, plant nursery, and timber industries.
Source: http://www.pottsmerc.com/environment-and-nature/20151123/spotted-lanternfly-quarantine-spreads-in-berks-montco

For another story, see item **3**

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

20. *November 23, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **55,400 gallons of untreated wastewater floods into stream near Morgan State.** Approximately 55,400 gallons of untreated

wastewater flooded into Herring Run Stream in Baltimore near Morgan State University following a sewer main break November 18 that lasted through November 21. City officials posted warning signs along the stream.
Source: http://www.baltimoresun.com/features/green/blog/bs-md-ci-herring-run-sewage-20151123-story.html

For another story, see item **2**

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

21. *November 23, U.S. Department of Labor* – (New Jersey) **United Hospital Supply Corp. exposes employees to repeat safety and health hazards at manufacturing facility in Burlington, New Jersey.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration announced November 23 that United Hospital Supply Corp., was issued 1 willful, 10 repeat, 9 serious, and 1 other-than-serious citations November 19 following a May 27 investigation that found welding, electrical, and unguarded machinery hazards at the company's manufacturing facility in Burlington, New Jersey. Proposed penalties total $181,500.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29073

Government Facilities Sector

22. *November 24, ArmyTimes.com* – (Texas) **Four Army aviators killed in Black Hawk crash on Fort Hood.** Fort Hood officials reported November 24 that four U.S. Army aviators were killed during a routine training mission when a UH-60 Black Hawk crashed November 23 in the northeast portion of the Fort Hood Range. The cause of the crash is under investigation.
Source: http://www.armytimes.com/story/military/2015/11/24/four-army-aviators-killed-black-hawk-crash-fort-hood/76300606/

23. *November 23, WKYT 27 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Knox County Public Schools closed Tuesday.** Knox County Public Schools in Kentucky were closed November 24 following November 23 and November 20 bomb threats at Knox Central High School that prompted the evacuation of the school and early dismissal. Police searched the campus and deemed it safe once nothing suspicious was found.
Source: http://www.wkyt.com/home/headlines/Knox-County-Public-Schools-dismiss-after-bomb-threat-353053681.html

24. *November 23, Homeland Security News Wire; The Register* – (National) **DHS runs many unsecured databases: IG.** The DHS Inspector General released a report November 13 that found several vulnerabilities in DHS databases due to unpatched systems, including classified networks that could potentially allow an attacker to exploit the vulnerabilities and gain access into data. The report also found that the agency did not include classified system information on its monthly scorecard, in addition to inaccurate or incomplete information in management systems, among other

security gaps.
Source: http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20151123-dhs-runs-many-unsecured-databases-ig

25. *November 23, WZZM 13 Grand Rapids* – (Michigan) **MCC classes canceled after bomb threat.** Administrators cancelled classes at all Muskegon Community College campuses in Muskegon November 23 following the discovery of a written bomb threat in the Grand Haven Community Center. Police cleared the scene after spending several hours searching for anything suspicious and classes were scheduled to resume November 24.
Source: http://www.wzzm13.com/story/news/local/muskegon/2015/11/23/mcc-campuses-evacuated-due-to-bomb-threat/76251674/

For another story, see item **1**

Emergency Services Sector

26. *November 23, The Jackson Sun* – (Tennessee) **16 inmates involved in jail disturbance, vandalism.** The Madison County Sheriff's Office reported November 23 that 16 inmates were involved in a disturbance at J. Alexander Leech Criminal Justice Complex November 21, where the inmates damaged cell areas, broke windows, and caused damage to telephones and sprinkler heads. A portion of the jail was placed on lockdown and officials are assessing the total cost of damages.
Source: http://www.jacksonsun.com/story/news/crime/2015/11/23/16-inmates-involved-in-jail-disturbance/76280608/

27. *November 23, WIFR 23 Freeport* – (Illinois) **Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office reporting 911 outage.** Emergency 9-1-1 service in Stockton, Warren, Elizabeth, Hanover, Scales Mound, Apple River, and Apple Canyon Lake areas in Jo Daviess County was down November 23, and residents were urged to contact the sheriff's office or dial 9-1-1 from a cell phone in case of an emergency. Officials reported that there was no timeline for the restoration of services.
Source: http://www.wifr.com/home/headlines/Jo-Daviess-County-Sheriffs-Office-353056731.html

Information Technology Sector

28. *November 24, Securityweek* – (International) **Lenovo patches privilege escalation flaws in system update.** Lenovo released a new version of its System Update software addressing a security flaw, including a local unprivileged vulnerability, in which an attacker can gain administrative privileges on a victim's system by predicting the temporary administration account generated by SUService.exe, as well as allowing a local unprivileged attacker to execute commands on users' Windows systems.
Source: http://www.securityweek.com/lenovo-patches-privilege-escalation-flaws-system-update

29. *November 24, IDG News Service* – (International) **Dell security error widens as**

researchers dig deeper. Researchers from Duo Security discovered that new Dell laptops were found with a self-signed root digital certificate, eDellRoot, which can allow attackers to conduct a man-in-the-middle attack, spy on incoming data, and use private keys to create their own digital certificates to produce fake Web sites that appear legitimate. Dell Inc. reported they plan to release instructions on how to remove the certificates.
Source: http://www.computerworld.com/article/3008077/security/dell-security-error-widens-as-researchers-dig-deeper.html#tk.rss_security

30. *November 23, Softpedia* – (International) **ISIS retaliates against Anonymous, leaks data of "To-be-killed" US officials.** Hackers from the Islamic State Hacking Division leaked a list containing data about employees who served on bases located in the Middle East, including personnel from the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency, the FBI, the CIA, and the National Counterterrorism Center, the U.S. National Guard, and other Federal government agencies, via a Twitter account. The leak was contained.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/isis-retaliates-against-anonymous-leaks-data-of-to-be-killed-us-officials-496593.shtml

31. *November 23, Softpedia* – (International) **Researchers find multiple Chrome extensions secretly tracking users.** Researchers from Detectify Labs discovered that Google Chrome extensions including HooverZoom, SpeakIt, ProxFlow, Instant Translate, and other extensions were embedded with an analytics code to track users' browsing history, collect data from cookies, and view secret access tokens from Facebook Connect without users' consent while surfing across Web sites in different browser tabs.
Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/researchers-find-multiple-chrome-extensions-secretly-tracking-users-496596.shtml

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

32. *November 24, Austin American-Statesman* – (Texas) **Fire that displaced 30 at South Austin apartments blamed on cigarette.** The Retreat at Barton Creek apartment complex sustained extensive damage November 24 after a fire damaged 24 units and displaced 30 residents. Officials say that the fire was caused by an improperly discarded cigarette.
Source: http://www.statesman.com/news/news/local/firefighters-battling-fire-at-south-

austin-apartme/npTnP/

33. *November 23, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Wisconsin) **Bloomer, Wisconsin, roofing contractor endangers workers, ignores safety regulations.** The Occupational and Safety Health Administration cited Affordable Exteriors LLC for 2 willful, 1 repeated, and 3 serious safety violations November 20 after an investigation revealed that employees were working at heights of up to 25 feet without fall protection equipment. Proposed fines total $112,200.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29067

34. *November 23, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Georgia) **JA Siding Construction Services in Georgia exposed workers to dangerous falls and other safety hazards.** The Occupational and Safety Health Administration cited a man conducting business as JA Siding Construction Services LLC November 20 for failing to provide fall protection equipment to workers on a scaffold, failing to ensure the scaffold was properly secure while workers were exposed to heights ranging from 28-32 feet, and for not providing protective eyewear to employees while using a pneumatic nail gun. Proposed penalties total $65,120.
Source: https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=29076

35. *November 23, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Wilderness resort reports credit card data breach.** Wisconsin Dells officials reported November 23 that its Wilderness Resort's point-of-sale (PoS) system for processing credit and debit card transactions was compromised and may affect guests with reservations from March 9 – June 8 after a malware was found in its systems. The malware was removed and the resort is offering one year of free credit monitoring to guests who may have been affected.
Source: http://www.jsonline.com/business/wilderness-resort-reports-credit-card-data-breach-b99621592z1-353041801.html

For additional stories, see items **8**, **24**, and **35**

Dams Sector

Nothing to report

NTAS
National Terrorism Advisory System
NO ACTIVE ALERTS
www.DHS.gov/alerts

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