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- A water main break in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania January 13 caused thousands of gallons of water to rupture skyward, freezing over power lines and roadways and causing damages to nearby businesses. – *Montgomery Media* (See item [10](#))
- A U.S. Senate health committee released a report January 13 revealing that the specialized device, duodenoscopes caused more than two dozen outbreaks of antibiotic-resistant infections and revealed that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration failed to identify and alert the public about the faulty device, among other data. – *Washington Post* (See item [11](#))
- Cisco released software updates that addressed critical vulnerabilities in several of its networking and security products including an unauthorized access issue that allowed attackers to modify a device’s configuration. – *SecurityWeek* (See item [18](#))
- A Prince George County fire official reported that a 2-alarm fire at the Presidential Park Condominiums displaced 10 residents, injured 5 people, and caused an estimated \$200,000 in damages January 13. – *WUSA 9 Washington* (See item [22](#))

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Energy Sector

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Chemical Industry Sector

1. *January 13, WTAE 4 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Koppers closing Clairton chemical plant; 52 losing jobs.** Kopper Holdings Inc., officials reported January 13 that they will be closing its Clairton, Pennsylvania chemical plant that produces chemicals for aluminum manufacturing products due to major production cuts within the aluminum industry. The company reported that by closing the Clairton plant, the company will save about \$14 million by 2017.

Source: <http://www.wtae.com/news/koppers-closing-clairton-chemical-plant/37414786>

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

2. *January 13, Associated Press* – (New York; Florida) **U.S. Treasury Department to track some real estate deals in NY and Miami.** The U.S. Department of the Treasury announced January 13 that it will track sales of high-end real estates in Manhattan and Miami in order to discover and prevent money-laundering by establishing temporary disclosure requirements beginning March 2016, which will require certain title companies to identify individuals behind companies that purchase properties exceeding \$3 million.

Source: <http://www.winnipegfreepress.com/business/the-treasury-department-says-it-will-begin-tracking-sales-of-high-end-real-estate-in-2-of-the-countrys-most-expensive-markets--365160081.html>

3. *January 13, Los Angeles Business Journal* – (California) **Former Mirae Bank exec charged with bank fraud.** A former executive of Mirae Bank was charged January 13 with 6 counts of Federal bank fraud and 2 counts of falsifying statements to a financial institute after allegedly arranging \$150 million in fraudulent loans on behalf of the bank and skimming money from the loans for personal profit, which reportedly led to approximately \$33 million in losses and the bank's failure by 2009.

Source: <http://labusinessjournal.com/news/2016/jan/13/former-mirae-bank-exec-charged-bank-fraud/>

4. *January 13, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (National) **SEC charges 11 bank officers and directors with fraud.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged 11 former executives and board members of Birmingham-based Superior Bank and its holding company January 13 for their involvement in various fraud schemes in which they allegedly concealed or understated the bank's allowances for loan and lease losses (ALLL) by propping up Super Bank's financial condition through straw borrowers, fake appraisals, and insider deals.
Source: <http://www.sec.gov/news/pressrelease/2016-7.html>

Transportation Systems Sector

5. *January 13, Long Beach Post* – (California) **100 gallons of fuel, giant paper rolls spill onto freeway after Long Beach big rig crash.** Two southbound lanes of 710 Freeway in Long Beach was closed for several hours January 13 while crews worked to clear the wreckage of a 2-vehicle crash involving 2 semi-trucks that spilled 100 gallons of fuel and 3 giant rolls of paper.
Source: <http://lbpost.com/news/2000007931-100-gallons-of-fuel-giant-paper-rolls-spill-onto-freeway-after-long-beach-big-rig-crash>
6. *January 13, KDVR 31 Denver* – (Colorado) **Highway 52 reopens in Erie after deadly crash.** A fatal crash shut down Highway 52 in Erie, Colorado for several hours January 13 while officials investigated the scene of the crash that killed one person.
Source: <http://kdvr.com/2016/01/13/one-killed-in-weld-county-crash/>
7. *January 13, Biloxi Sun Herald* – (Mississippi) **Interstate 10 near state line in Hancock County reopens after chemical spill.** Westbound lanes of Interstate 10 in Hancock County were closed for several hours January 13 while crews worked to clean up a chemical spill and wreckage left from an overturned semi-truck. Mississippi 607 remains closed while crews continue to work on clearing the debris and spillage.
Source: <http://www.sunherald.com/news/local/traffic/article54500525.html>
8. *January 13, Alaska Native News* – (Alaska) **20-year-old Nenana man dead in Parks Highway Collision.** Parks Highway near Nenana, Alaska was closed for approximately five hours January 12 while officials investigated the scene of a fatal crash involving a vehicle and a semi-truck that killed one person.
Source: <http://alaska-native-news.com/20-year-old-nenana-man-dead-in-parks-highway-collision-21080>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

9. *January 13, Fresno AgNet West Radio Network* – (California) **Asian citrus psyllid quarantine 2016 update.** Officials from the California Department of Food and Agriculture expanded the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) quarantine zones in Kern, San Joaquin, and Madera counties after a single detection of ACP, which is a fatal disease

to citrus trees, was found in each county.

Source: <http://agnetwest.com/2016/01/13/asian-citrus-psyllid-quarantine-2016-update/>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

10. *January 14, Montgomery Media* – (Pennsylvania) **Water main break in Conshohocken causes icy mess.** A water main break in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania January 13 caused thousands of gallons of water to rupture skyward, freezing over power lines and roadways and causing damages to nearby businesses. The cause of the break is still under investigation.

Source:

http://www.montgomerynews.com/articles/2016/01/14/colonial_news/news/doc56966b1bf2ec2579347614.txt

For another story, see item [13](#)

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

11. *January 13, Washington Post* – (International) **Tainted medical scopes have sickened hundreds in U.S., Europe, Senate investigation finds.** A U.S. Senate health committee released a report January 13 that revealed the specialized device duodenoscopes, used to drain fluid from pancreatic and bile ducts, was linked to more than two dozen outbreaks of antibiotic-resistant infections that sickened 250 people in the U.S. and Europe and that the device's manufacturers, hospitals, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration failed to identify and alert problems with the device to the public.

Source: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/to-your-health/wp/2016/01/13/senate-report-tainted-medical-scopes-have-sickened-hundreds-in-u-s-europe/>

12. *January 13, Tulsa World* – (Oklahoma) **Fraud trial begins for woman who claimed to kill cancer tumors with laser.** Officials reported that a 71-year old woman faces 41 counts of fraud charges after she allegedly injected cancer patients with a green food coloring solution and used a laser to kill off cancerous cells that were discolored with the green solution. In addition, the woman reportedly received \$1,500 per treatment from November 2006 to December 2012.

Source: http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/courts/fraud-trial-begins-for-woman-who-claimed-to-kill-cancer/article_25a3599c-88d7-5cc0-8ada-bbcf421d4612.html

13. *January 13, Reuters* – (Michigan) **Legionnaires' spike in Michigan county dealing with water crisis.** Officials from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services announced January 13 that about half of the 87 cases of Legionnaire's disease in Genesee County since June 2014 may have been due to the city's change in water supply from Detroit's water system to Flint River water system, which was found to contain unusually high levels of lead October 2015. Officials are investigating the case.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-michigan-water-idUSKCN0UR23120160113>

Government Facilities Sector

14. *January 13, Salisbury Daily Times; Wilmington News Journal* – (Maryland) **Third day of bomb threats at Delmarva schools.** About 1,300 students from Stephen Decatur High School in Worcester County were evacuated for approximately 2 hours January 13 following a phone-in bomb threat that prompted police crews to search the building. Authorities deemed the building safe and reported that the threat was the third consecutive bomb threat made towards Delmarva schools within the same week.
Source: <http://www.delmarvanow.com/story/news/local/maryland/2016/01/13/third-day-bomb-threats-delmarva-schools/78733298/>

Emergency Services Sector

15. *January 13, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **Two charged in theft of gun, Taser, bulletproof vest from MDTA police vehicle in Dundalk.** Authorities reported January 13 that two men were charged with robbery and other-related charges after the two allegedly stole a handgun, a Taser, two Taser cartridges, a bulletproof vest, a laptop, and a camcorder, along with other items from a Maryland Transportation Authority police vehicle in Dundalk January 9. Baltimore County police are investigating the incident.
Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/crime/bs-md-co-mta-gun-taser-theft-20160113-story.html>
16. *January 13, Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Federal charges for Vegas officer in body-camera case.** A former Las Vegas police officer was charged January 12 with obstruction of justice and a civil rights violation after an investigation revealed the former officer falsified a police report and violated a woman's civil rights by using excessive force.
Source: <http://www.policeone.com/police-products/body-cameras/articles/63610006-Federal-charges-for-Vegas-officer-in-body-camera-case>
17. *January 13, Montgomery Advertiser* – (Alabama) **Ex-Tallahassee assistant police chief faces theft charges.** The former assistant police chief from the Tallahassee Police Department was indicted for property and burglary charges January 13 after the man allegedly stole a handgun from the police station's evidence locker room while on duty.
Source:
<http://www.montgomeryadvertiser.com/story/news/local/progress/2016/01/13/former-tallahassee-assistant-police-chief-indicted/78750712/>

Information Technology Sector

18. *January 14, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Cisco patches serious flaw in networking, security products.** Cisco released software updates that addressed multiple critical vulnerabilities in several of its networking and security products including an unauthorized access issue that affects Cisco standalone and modular controllers running Wireless LAN Controller (LAN) software that allowed attackers to modify the device's configuration and compromise the device.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/cisco-patches-serious-flaws-networking-security-products>

19. *January 13, Softpedia* – (International) **DHCP gets a fix for denial-of-service bug.** The Internet Systems Consortium (ICS) patched a flaw in its Dynamic Host Configuration Profile (DHCP) software packages after a security researcher from Sophos discovered the vulnerability allowed attackers to crash the systems by sending a malicious network packet with an invalid IPv4 UDP length field.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/dhcp-gets-a-fix-for-denial-of-service-bug-498882.shtml>

20. *January 13, IDG News Service* – (International) **Microsoft fixes critical flaws in Windows, Office, Edge, IE and other products.** Microsoft released security updates that patched critical flaws in its Windows, Office, Edge, Internet Explorer, Silverlight, and Visual Basic products, including remote code execution vulnerabilities, elevation of privilege vulnerabilities, and a spoofing flaw.
Source: http://www.computerworld.com/article/3022153/security/microsoft-fixes-critical-flaws-in-windows-office-edge-ie-and-other-products.html#tk.rss_security

21. *January 13, Softpedia* – (International) **Shoddy ransomware destroys user's files.** Security researchers from Trend Micro identified a ransomware dubbed RANSOME_CRYPTTEAR.B that used a crypto flaw hidden in the Hidden Tear ransomware to infect users and encrypt their files by redirecting users to fake Adobe Flash Web sites that distributes a malicious Flash Player update and allows attackers to infect the victim's system with a crypto-ransomware that would encrypt all data files. Authors of the malware were seen throwing away the encryption key, rendering all encrypted files unrecoverable.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/shoddy-ransomware-destroys-the-user-s-files-498889.shtml>

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: <http://www.it-isac.org>

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

22. *January 14, WUSA 9 Washington* – (Maryland) **Five recovering after massive Adelphi apartment building.** A Prince George County fire official reported that a 2-alarm fire at the Presidential Park Condominiums displaced 10 residents, injured 5 people, and caused an estimated \$200,000 in damages January 13. Officials believe the

fire was accidental and are investigating the cause of the blaze.

Source: <http://www.wusa9.com/story/news/local/maryland/2016/01/13/2-alarm-fire-apartment-building-adelphi/78759304/>

23. *January 14, KKTV 11 Colorado Springs* – (Colorado) **CSFD crews battle apartment fire early Thursday.** A January 14 fire caused extensive damage to the Treehouse Apartments in Colorado Springs and displaced 24 residents following a 2-alarm fire that spread to several apartment units. Officials are investigating the cause of the incident.

Source: <http://www.kktv.com/home/headlines/CSFD-Crews-Battle-Apartment-Fire-Early-Thursday-365249981.html>

24. *January 12, WFAA 8 Dallas* – (Texas) **Gas leak forces 100 people from North Dallas homes.** One-hundred residents living in homes and apartment complexes in North Dallas were evacuated as a precaution for two hours January 12 after a construction worker ruptured a four-inch natural gas line that leaked gas into the surrounding area. Officials tested the air for elevated gas levels and deemed the area safe.

Source: <http://www.wfaa.com/story/news/2016/01/12/gas-leak-forces-100-people-north-dallas-homes/78714586/>

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Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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