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- California State officials announced February 18 that a leaking natural gas well at the Aliso Canyon storage field in Porter Ranch was permanently sealed and taken out of service. – *Los Angeles Times* (See item [1](#))
- Apple Inc., issued a recall February 18 for 814,000 of its World Travel Adapter Kits and wall plug adapters due to electric shock hazards. – *U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* (See item [2](#))
- A Federal report released February 19 found that improper encryption and poorly trained employees helped expose the personal health information of approximately 1 million South Carolina Medicaid patients to the risk of cybertheft. – *Associated Press* (See item [11](#))
- Check Point researchers discovered that eBay’s platform was susceptible to a JSF*** cross-site scripting (XSS) attack that was exploited in the wild and allowed attackers to convert the site’s JavaScript syntax into the JSF*** non-standard character set and insert it in the product description field. – *Softpedia* (See item [15](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *February 18, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Porter Ranch gas leak permanently capped, officials say.** The California Department of Conservation and Southern California Gas Company announced February 18 that a leaking natural gas well at the Aliso Canyon storage field in Porter Ranch was permanently sealed and taken out of service. The utility stated that it will develop a plan to mitigate the damage caused by the leaking well, support new regulations, and conduct a full inspection and testing of other wells at the storage field before resuming injections.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-porter-ranch-gas-leak-permanently-capped-20160218-story.html>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

2. *February 18, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (International) **Apple recalls travel adapter kits and plugs due to risk of electric shock.** Apple Inc., issued a recall February 18 for 814,000 of its World Travel Adapter Kits and wall plug adapters due to electric shock hazards from two-prong wall plug adapters that can break and expose the metal portion of the adapter after the company received 12 reports of adaptors breaking and shocking consumers. An additional 81,000 adapters were sold in Canada.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2016/Apple-Recalls-Travel-Adapter-Kits-and-Plugs/>

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

3. *February 18, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (International) **VimpelCom to pay \$795 million in global settlement for FCPA violations.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) announced February 18 that VimpelCom Ltd., agreed to pay a total of \$795 million to the SEC, U.S. Department of Justice, and Dutch regulators to resolve its violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) after the company paid an Uzbek government official tied to the president of Uzbekistan at least \$114 million in bribes while attempting to enter the Uzbek telecommunications market and obtain government-issued licenses, frequencies, channels, and number blocks. VimpelCom Ltd., funneled the bribes through sham contracts and charitable

contributions.

Source: <https://www.sec.gov/news/pressrelease/2016-34.html>

4. *February 18, Bowling Green Daily News* – (Tennessee) **BG man convicted in federal wire fraud in Tennessee.** The U.S. District Court in Eastern Tennessee announced February 18 that a Bowling Green, Kentucky man was found guilty for his role in a \$15 million Ponzi scheme after he impersonated a legitimate coal purchaser for New Century Coal and structured financial transactions to conceal the diversion of more than 160 investor's funds into accounts used to pay for gambling trips, thoroughbred horses, racing cars, and other personal expenses from 2011 – 2014. Nine other co-defendants pleaded guilty to charges in connection with the scheme.
Source: http://www.bgdailynews.com/news/bg-man-convicted-in-federal-wire-fraud-in-tennessee/article_384eab90-d6ac-11e5-976f-bbdc91f5dbdd.html

Transportation Systems Sector

5. *February 19, Washington Post* – (Maryland) **Beltway's outer and inner loops reopen near Connecticut Ave. after fatal crash is cleared.** Both the inner and outer loops of the Capital Beltway between Rockville Pike and Connecticut Avenue in Maryland were closed for more than 3 hours February 19 while crews worked to clear the wreckage from a fatal crash involving an overturned semi-truck that killed 1 passenger.
Source: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/dr-gridlock/wp/2016/02/19/part-of-capital-beltway-shut-down-in-both-directions-near-connecticut-avenue/>
6. *February 19, Chicago Sun-Times* – (Indiana) **Rollover semi crash in Gary snarls I-80 traffic for 3 hours.** All lanes of Interstate 80/94 in northwest Indiana were closed for 3 hours due to an accident involving a semi-truck that struck the rear of another vehicle, causing the semi-truck to veer across several lanes before overturning onto the expressway.
Source: <http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/1338471/rollover-semi-crash-gary-snarls-80-traffic-3-hours>
7. *February 18, Maui Now* – (Hawaii) **Near fatal motor vehicle accident at McGregor's Point.** Officials closed Honoapi'ilani Highway at McGregor's Point for approximately 3 hours February 18 while officials investigated the scene of a 3-vehicle crash that sent 7 people to an area hospital with injuries.
Source: <http://mauinow.com/2016/02/18/traffic-advisory-motor-vehicle-accident-at-mcgregors-point/>
8. *February 18, Janesville Gazette* – (Wisconsin) **One person killed in pickup-semi collision on Highway 14.** A fatal 2-vehicle crash involving a semi-truck and another vehicle closed all lanes of Highway 14 east of Janesville for more than 6 hours February 18. One driver was pronounced dead at the scene and a second driver was transported to an area hospital with injuries.
Source: http://www.gazettextra.com/20160218/one_person_killed_in_pickup_semi_collision_on_highway_14

9. *February 18, KWWL 7 Waterloo* – (Iowa) **Emergency flight landing in Waterloo due to smoke in cockpit.** An American Airlines flight from Sioux Falls, South Dakota to Chicago was forced to make an emergency landing in Waterloo, Iowa February 18 after an odor was reported in the cabin. The plane landed without incident and passengers were placed on another flight.
Source: <http://www.kwwl.com/story/31256430/2016/02/18/emergency-flight-landing-in-waterloo-due-to-smoke-in-cockpit>

For another story, see item [20](#)

Food and Agriculture Sector

10. *February 18, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Peking Food LLC issues allergy alert for undeclared egg in assorted Chef Hon brand Steamed Buns.** Peking Food LLC issued a recall February 18 for its Chef Hon brand Steamed Buns with Seafood & Vegetable and Steamed Buns with Seafood Marinated in XO-Sauce products sold in flexible plastic packages due to misbranding after a Federal inspection revealed that the packaging did not declare eggs as an ingredient in the products. The items were distributed to retail locations in 21 States and Puerto Rico.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm486797.htm>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

Nothing to report

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

11. *February 19, Associated Press* – (South Carolina) **SC Medicaid computer breach exposes data of 1 million.** The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Inspector General released a report February 19 which found that a 4 decade old computer system without proper encryption and poorly trained employees helped expose the personal health information of approximately 1 million South Carolina Medicaid patients to the risk of cybertheft. The agency stated that it has implemented safety measures suggested in the report, which also found no evidence that any hacking of Medicaid data had occurred.
Source: <http://chronicle.augusta.com/news/government/2016-02-19/sc-medicaid-computer-breach-exposes-data-1-million>

Government Facilities Sector

12. *February 19, WTVR 6 Richmond* – (Virginia) **School bus driver charged in Dinwiddie crash that sent 22 students to hospital.** A chain-reaction crash February 18 involving 2 school buses and a third vehicle in Dinwiddie, Virginia, left 22 students injured. The accident remains under investigation.
Source: <http://wtvr.com/2016/02/18/dinwiddie-school-bus-accident/>

13. *February 18, KLFY 10 Lafayette* – (Louisiana) **11 students, 1 adult taken to hospital after school bus crash in Scott.** One driver and 11 students were transported to an area hospital with injuries following an accident involving a school bus en route to Scott Middle School and two other vehicles at an intersection in Scott, Louisiana, February 18.
Source: <http://klfy.com/2016/02/18/11-students-1-adult-taken-to-hospital-after-school-bus-crash-in-scott/>

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Emergency Services Sector

14. *February 18, Sacramento Bee* – (California) **4 Folsom prison workers said to be hurt in inmate attack.** An inmate at the California State Prison in Folsom attacked two psychiatric technicians and two correctional officers, injuring all four February 18. Officials are investigating the incident.
Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/news/local/crime/article61151707.html>

Information Technology Sector

15. *February 19, Softpedia* – (International) **JSF***eBay XSS bug exploited in the wild, despite the company’s fix.** Security researchers from Check Point discovered that eBay’s platform was susceptible to a JSF*** cross-site scripting (XSS) attack that was exploited in the wild and allowed attackers to convert the site’s JavaScript syntax into the JSF*** non-standard character set, disguise the code to pass through eBay’s XSS filters, and store the character set in the product’s description, allowing the malicious code to execute and infect a system once the victim opens the eBay store.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/jsf-ebay-xss-bug-exploited-in-the-wild-despite-the-company-s-fix-500651.shtml>
16. *February 19, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Google pays \$25,000 reward for critical Chrome flaw.** Google released an updated version for its Chrome Web browser affecting Microsoft Windows, Apple Mac, and Linux systems after a security researcher found a flaw in the Blink Web browser engine and Chrome sandbox escape.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/google-pays-25000-reward-critical-chrome-flaw>
17. *February 18, SecurityWeek* – (International) **“Locky” ransomware encrypts unmapped network shares.** Security researchers from BleepingComputer discovered that a new ransomware named Locky uses the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) encryption algorithm to target certain file extensions after it creates and assigns a unique 16 hexadecimal number to a victim’s computer and scans all unmapped network shares and drives for files to encrypt. The ransomware renames encrypted files to [unique_id][identifier].locky and deletes all Shadow Volume Copies to prevent victims from restoring encrypted files.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/locky-ransomware-encrypts-unmapped-network-shares>

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

18. *February 19, KHOU 11 Houston* – (Texas) **Red Cross steps in after fire destroys Houston apartments.** Houston firefighters battled two separate fires February 18 including a 2-alarm fire at the Aurora Place Apartments complex which damaged 16 units and displaced more than 20 residents, and a fire at the Terrace Condos which caused firefighters to remain on site for nearly 2 hours containing the blaze.
Source: <http://www.khou.com/story/news/local/2016/02/18/firefighters-battle-2-alarm-fire-north-houston-apartment-complex/80581384/>
19. *February 18, Augusta Kennebec Journal; Waterville Morning Sentinel* – (Maine) **Gas leak in Augusta was among ‘largest scale’ for city.** An Augusta, Maine shopping plaza was evacuated February 17 after an unmarked underground electrical line burned a hole in a gas line and leaked large amounts of gas into the city. Summit Natural Gas repaired the leak and businesses resumed normal operations February 18.
Source: <https://www.centralmaine.com/2016/02/18/gas-leak-in-augusta-forces-some-building-evacuations/>
20. *February 18, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Center City Philadelphia multi-vehicle collision injures 19, damages bank.** The front of a TD Bank in Center City Philadelphia sustained extensive damage February 18 after a multi-vehicle accident involving a school bus, a taxi, a Transit Police vehicle, and a Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority bus, caused the vehicles to crash into the bank and injure 19 people.
Source: <http://6abc.com/news/19-injured-in-multi-vehicle-center-city-crash-suv-hits-bank/1205828/>
21. *February 16, WKTU 2 Utica* – (New York) **Flooding in electrical hub at Peretta Twin Towers forces evacuation.** Officials reported February 16 that more than 150 residents were evacuated from all 108 units at the Peretta Twin Towers in Utica following a water leak that began from the buildings’ electrical hub. The building’s power and heat will remain off while crews evaluate the extent of damage.
Source:
http://www.wktv.com/news/Flooding_in_electrical_hub_at_Peretta_Twin_Towers_forces_evacuation.html

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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