



## Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 16 March 2016

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- Temple city officials reported that Lions Park in Temple, Texas, was closed March 14 after approximately 300,000 gallons of wastewater overflowed as a result of heavy rainfall the week of March 7. – *Temple Daily Telegram* (See item [8](#))
- Officials announced the week of March 7 that a former employee at Reliable Medical Supply in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, was charged with stealing nearly \$1.1 million from the company from 2011 – 2015. – *Minneapolis Star Tribune* (See item [10](#))
- A spokesperson for the U.S. Army Material Command stated March 14 that the U.S. Army spent about \$145,000 on a new crime reporting app, iWatch Army, for use at 17 U.S. bases to boost anti-terrorism and anti-crime efforts. – *Reuters* (See item [12](#))
- Yahoo! released patches fixing an email spoofing vulnerability after a security researcher discovered that Yahoo! Mail’s Basic interface allowed attackers to send malicious emails by changing Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) requests sent to the server and changing the “from address” associated with each new email. – *Softpedia* (See item [17](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *March 14, KCAU 9 Sioux City* – (Iowa) **The gas spill at Magellan Pipeline Company has been contained from reaching the Floyd River.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reported March 14 that Magellan Pipeline Company restored operations at its site in Sioux City following a March 11 incident where 30,000 gallons of gasoline was found leaking into the ground and nearby creek. Crews determined that no gasoline reached Floyd River and that containment was nearly complete.  
Source: <http://www.siouxlandmatters.com/news/local-news/update-the-gas-spill-at-magellan-pipeline-company-has-been-contained-from-reaching-the-floyd-river>

## Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

## Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

## Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

## Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

## Financial Services Sector

2. *March 14, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (National) **AIG affiliates charged with mutual fund shares conflicts.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission announced March 14 that 3 American International Group, Inc., (AIG) affiliates, Royal Alliance Associates, Inc., SagePoint Financial, and FSC Securities Corporation agreed to pay more than \$9.5 million to settle charges that the firms placed mutual fund clients in more expensive share classes in order to collect approximately \$2 million in extra fees without disclosing to clients the option to buy shares without additional charges. The firms additionally failed to monitor advisory accounts on a quarterly basis, and failed to implement compliance policies and procedures that ensured advisory service fees and trading costs remained in the best interest of clients.  
Source: <https://www.sec.gov/news/pressrelease/2016-52.html>
3. *March 14, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of New Jersey* – (International) **CEO of microcap company charged with securities fraud for falsely claiming millions in revenue from contracts with Nigeria and other foreign countries.** Federal authorities in San Francisco announced charges against the chief executive officer (CEO) of RVPlus Inc., March 14 after he was arrested in San Francisco March 13 for allegedly filing false reports with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)

and creating misleading press releases and blog posts which falsely certified that RVPlus Inc., had entered into contracts with Nigeria, Haiti, and Liberia worth more than \$1.9 billion, and held more than \$26 million in short-term accounts receivables from the agreements. The CEO also falsely claimed that his not-for-profit, ECCO2 Corp., was an affiliate organization of the United Nations Convention on Climate Change and could receive over \$100 billion in financial aid to fund the organization's projects.

Source: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-nj/pr/ceo-microcap-company-charged-securities-fraud-falsely-claiming-millions-revenue-contracts>

## **Transportation Systems Sector**

4. *March 15, WESH 2 Daytona Beach* – (Florida) **2 killed in wrong-way crash on I-4.** Westbound lanes of Interstate 4 in Orlando reopened March 15 after lanes were closed for several hours following a head-on collision that left 2 people dead.  
Source: <http://www.wesh.com/news/crash-prompts-i4-closure/38519784>
5. *March 14, Lompoc Record* – (California) **Early morning collision causes Hwy. 101 closure through Gaviota Pass.** A multi-vehicle crash involving 6 vehicles and a semi-truck shut down the northbound lanes of Highway 101 for more than 2 hours March 14. No injuries were reported and officials are investigating the incident.  
Source: [http://lompocrecord.com/news/local/early-morning-accident-causes-hwy-closure-through-gaviota-pass/article\\_629cd3ea-de18-5aa5-897f-eb984ac062a7.html](http://lompocrecord.com/news/local/early-morning-accident-causes-hwy-closure-through-gaviota-pass/article_629cd3ea-de18-5aa5-897f-eb984ac062a7.html)
6. *March 14, KSDK 5 St. Louis* – (Missouri) **Fatal accident closed 270 for 3 hours.** Eastbound lanes of Interstate 270 in St. Louis County were closed for approximately 3 hours March 14 following a 2-vehicle crash that killed 1 driver and sent another to the hospital with minor injuries.  
Source: <http://www.ksdk.com/news/local/fatal-accident-closed-270-for-3-hours/82840732>

## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

7. *March 15, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Texas Star Nut & Food Company is expanding the recall on Natural Pistachio Kernels and products containing pistachio kernels, which were previously voluntarily recalled due to possible Salmonella contamination.** Texas Star Nut & Food Company expanded a previous recall March 14 to include nine varieties of its Natural Pistachio Kernels' products and products containing pistachio kernels after routine sampling revealed that the Nature's Eats Natural Pistachio Kernel products contained Salmonella. No illnesses have been reported and the company ceased the distribution of the products that were shipped to retailers nationwide.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm490751.htm>

## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

8. *March 15, Temple Daily Telegram* – (Texas) **230,000 gallons of wastewater shut**

**down Lions Park.** Temple city officials reported that Lions Park in Temple, Texas, was closed March 14 after approximately 300,000 gallons of waste water overflowed as a result of heavy rainfall the week of March 7. Clean-up crews were working to clean up the overflow.

Source: [http://www.tdtnews.com/news/article\\_4461321a-ea4b-11e5-883b-83414126e361.html](http://www.tdtnews.com/news/article_4461321a-ea4b-11e5-883b-83414126e361.html)

## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

9. *March 15, Associated Press* – (Indiana) **Premier Healthcare says laptop with patient info returned.** Premier Healthcare announced March 14 that a laptop containing information on more than 200,000 patients was returned by mail around March 7, and a forensic analysis determined that the laptop had not been powered on since it was stolen from Premier Healthcare’s billing office in Bloomington. Officials stated that there was no evidence that patient information was accessed.

Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/article66103082.html>

10. *March 14, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Charges: Twin Cities medical supplier’s ‘trusted employee’ skimmed \$1M.** Officials announced the week of March 7 that a former employee at Reliable Medical Supply in Brooklyn Park was charged in Hennepin County District Court for stealing nearly \$1.1 million from the company by reportedly forging checks to herself from the company’s business account from 2011 – 2015.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/charges-twin-cities-medical-supplier-s-trusted-employee-skimmed-1m-plus/371975901/>

## **Government Facilities Sector**

11. *March 15, WDBJ 7 Roanoke* – (Virginia) **School officials trying to determine when to re-open Blacksburg Middle School.** Blacksburg Middle School in Virginia remained closed March 15 after a March 14 fire damaged a portion of the building’s roof and several classrooms. Officials believe a lightning bolt started the fire and crews reported to the campus to assess the damage.

Source: <http://www.wdbj7.com/news/local/breaking-crews-at-blacksburg-middle-school-for-reported-fire/38516990>

12. *March 14, Reuters* – (National) **New app aims to thwart crime, attacks at U.S. military bases.** A spokesperson for the U.S. Army Material Command stated March 14 that the U.S. Army spent about \$145,000 on a new crime reporting app, iWatch Army, for use at 17 U.S. bases, which was created to boost its anti-terrorism and anti-crime efforts. The app remains under evaluation by the U.S. Army.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-military-closewatch-idUSKCN0WG1GJ>

13. *March 14, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Oregon) **Oregon State University agrees to safely manage hazardous waste to better protect students and faculty.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced March 14 that Oregon State University will pay \$275,000 in penalties and implement a comprehensive

training program for its personnel after the university violated Federal hazardous waste identification rules by not properly identifying, managing, or safely storing nearly 2000 containers of hazardous wastes at 6 laboratories at its Corvallis, Oregon campus.

Source:

<https://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/9300cb10aebd5e5085257f7600575492>

14. *March 14, WauwatosaNOW.com* – (Wisconsin) **Second threat made against Tosa West High School in less than a week.** Students and staff were evacuated and classes were dismissed at Wauwatosa West High School in Wisconsin March 14 due to a written threat that was found inside the school. School officials are working with police to investigate the threat.

Source: <http://www.wauwatosanow.com/news/371995651.html>

## Emergency Services Sector

15. *March 14, Atmore Advance* – (Alabama) **Order restored at Holman; prison remains on lockdown.** Holman Correctional Facility in Alabama remained on lockdown March 14 after approximately 70 inmates started to riot after an inmate stabbed another using a makeshift weapon. Officers spent about 6 hours containing inmates and restoring order.

Source: <http://www.atmoreadvance.com/2016/03/14/order-restored-at-holman-prison-remains-on-lockdown/>

## Information Technology Sector

16. *March 15, Softpedia* – (International) **Recent wave of malware uses macro-enabled Word documents and Windows PowerShell.** Security researchers from Palo Alto Networks discovered that attackers were using a new tactic to distribute malicious malware by combining spam campaigns, malicious Word documents, and Windows's PowerShell code. Researchers reported that the macro code, embedded within each malicious Word document, starts a hidden instance of Windows PowerShell to download malicious scripts.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/recent-wave-of-malware-uses-macro-enabled-word-documents-and-windows-powershell-501755.shtml>

17. *March 15, Softpedia* – (International) **Yahoo fixes ridiculously simple email address spoofing bug.** Yahoo! released patches fixing an email spoofing vulnerability after a security researcher from Vulnerability Lab discovered Yahoo! Mail's Basic interface, also named Classic Mode, allowed attackers to send malicious emails by changing Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) requests sent to the server and changing the "from address" associated with each new email.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/yahoo-fixes-ridiculously-simple-email-address-spoofing-bug-501750.shtml>

18. *March 14, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Code.org flaw exposes volunteer email addresses.** An official from Code.org, a non-profit organization that helps teach computer science, reported that the email addresses of its volunteers were allegedly

compromised after a vulnerability was found on its Web site that allowed an unauthorized recruiting firm to obtain private email addresses. The company patched the flaw, stating that its servers were not vulnerable and the details of its 10 million teachers and students were not exposed.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/codeorg-flaw-exposes-volunteer-email-addresses>

19. *March 14, Softpedia* – (International) **Vulnerability in torrent portal software exposes user private information.** An anonymous security researcher reported that the SceneAccess Web site, a private torrent portal, was susceptible to a security flaw in the built-in BBcodes (Bulletin Board Code) that allowed attackers to expose details pertaining to the Web sites' users including exposing clients' Internet Protocol (IP) addresses by nesting the BBcode inside an image Universal Resource Language (URL), and sending users the malicious image via open forum threads or private messages. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/vulnerability-in-torrent-portal-software-exposes-user-private-information-501712.shtml>

For another story, see item [12](#)

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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

20. *March 13, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Hackers pillage DDoS protection firm Staminus.** The distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) protection firm, Staminus reported March 10 that its database was compromised for several hours and exposed more than 15 gigabyte of data including customers' login credentials, customers' credit card numbers, and server log data, among other information due to low security protocol such as using one root passwords for all its routers. Staminus patched the issue March 11 after the incident spanned across multiple routers. Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/hackers-pillage-ddos-protection-firm-staminus>

## Commercial Facilities Sector

21. *March 15, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (Pennsylvania) **Fire damages diner, nearby hotel evacuated in Chester.** A two-alarm fire at the Grape Leaves Diner in Chester, Pennsylvania, prompted the adjacent Days Inn Hotel to evacuate March 15 after the fire heavily damaged the diner and caused smoke damage to the hotel. No injuries were reported and the cause of the blaze is under investigation. Source: <http://6abc.com/news/fire-damages-diner-nearby-hotel-evacuated-in-chester/1246016/>

22. *March 14, KSAZ 10 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Police: Trio arrested in \$350k retail theft ring.** The Surprise Police Department arrested 3 people March 14 in connection with an organized retail theft ring in which the trio allegedly stole over \$350,000 from 13 valley businesses and were responsible for over 200 thefts. The suspects face 68 criminal charges of organized retail theft, participating in a criminal syndicate, and trafficking stolen property.

Source: <http://www.fox10phoenix.com/web/ksaz/news/arizona-news/107358597-story>

## **Dams Sector**

Nothing to report



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