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- The California Independent System Operator declared a Flex Alert for southern California for 11 hours June 20 due to a heat wave that put a strain on the State's power grid. – *KABC 7 Los Angeles* (See item [1](#))
- A Massachusetts woman pleaded guilty June 20 to orchestrating a scheme where she and co-conspirators cashed 236 fraudulent Federal income tax refund checks in order to steal nearly \$1.4 million in tax returns. – *Springfield Republican* (See item [5](#))
- Acer Inc., reported that its online store was compromised after a hacker leaked 34,500 customers' data including customer names, addresses, and credit card numbers with expiration dates and CVC security codes from May 2015 – April 2016. – *PC World* (See item [20](#))
- The New York State Canal Corp. announced June 17 that a 30-mile stretch of the Erie Canal between Brockport and the village of Middleport will be closed for several weeks beginning June 27 for repair. – *Associated Press* (See item [26](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *June 20, KABC 7 Los Angeles* – (California) **Flex Alert as SoCal heat wave strains power grid.** The California Independent System Operator declared a Flex Alert for southern California for 11 hours June 20 due to a heat wave that put a strain on the State's power grid. The Flex Alert urges residents to voluntarily conserve electricity by turning off unneeded lighting, refraining from the use of major appliances, and by setting air conditioning thermostats to 78 degrees or higher.
Source: <http://abc7.com/weather/flex-alert-issued-as-social-heat-wave-strains-power-grid/1393006/>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *June 20, Occupational Health and Safety* – (South Carolina) **NRC agrees modifications to South Carolina nuclear plant adequate if dam fails.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission reported June 17 that flood modifications completed by Duke Energy at its Oconee Nuclear Station near Seneca, South Carolina, will adequately protect the plant's three reactors from a potential incident if the Jocassee Dam failed.
Source: <https://ohsonline.com/articles/2016/06/20/nrc-flood.aspx>

Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *June 20, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Georgia) **Follow-up OSHA inspection finds workplace safety problems persist at Georgia pipe fabricator; nearly \$76K in fines proposed.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited U.S. Pipe Fabrication LLC with three repeated, three serious, and one other-than-serious safety and health violations June 6 after a follow-up investigation at the Gainesville, Georgia facility revealed that the employer did not ensure workers followed energy-control procedures to prevent unexpected machine start-ups, failed to instruct workers on the hazards of fighting fires, and exposed workers to unguarded saw blades, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$75,960.
Source:
https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=32673

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

4. *June 20, Barnegat-Manahawkin Patch* – (National) **Stafford police arrest man**

wanted for \$386,000 in bank fraud by opening up phony bank accounts. A New Jersey man was arrested in Atlantic City June 18 after he and co-conspirators allegedly defrauded TD Bank out of \$386,000 by opening over 86 fraudulent checking accounts at bank branches in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, and Massachusetts since June 2015. The man was arrested after a bank employee recognized the man from previous fraud attempts and notified authorities.

Source: <http://patch.com/new-jersey/barnegat-manahawkin/stafford-police-arrest-man-wanted-386-000-bank-fraud-opening-phony>

5. *June 20, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Springfield woman admits cashing \$1.4M worth of fake tax refund checks.** A Springfield, Massachusetts woman pleaded guilty June 20 to orchestrating a scheme where she and co-conspirators cashed 236 fraudulent Federal income tax refund checks in order to steal nearly \$1.4 million in tax returns from January 2012 – May 2013. Authorities stated that the group filed the fraudulent returns and Social Security numbers under the names of people living in Puerto Rico, while the addresses were falsely listed as Massachusetts and New York.

Source:

http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2016/06/springfield_woman_admits_cashi.html

Transportation Systems Sector

6. *June 20, Newark Advocate* – (Ohio) **Helicopter, hazmat team called to US 62 crash.** A portion of U.S. 62 in Washington Township, Ohio, was closed for approximately 5 hours June 20 due to an accident involving a semi-truck transporting gasoline. One person was injured.

Source: <http://www.newarkadvocate.com/story/news/local/2016/06/20/helicopter-hazmat-team-called-u-s-62-crash/86148326/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

7. *June 20, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (Massachusetts) **Food processor in Chelsea & Lawrence Mass. to provide emergency response equipment to communities under a settlement with EPA and DOJ.** Under a consent decree filed June 20, JSB Industries, Inc., agreed to pay \$156,000 to settle allegations by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the company violated Federal environmental laws at its Chelsea and Lawrence, Massachusetts distribution facilities after the company failed to comply with Federal accident prevention and mitigation provisions, hazardous chemical reporting requirements, and chemical release notification requirements during an April 2009 incident where approximately 2,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia was inadvertently released from a refrigeration system at the company's Chelsea facility. The settlement also requires that the company provide \$119,000 worth of emergency response equipment to fire departments in Chelsea and Lawrence.

Source: <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/food-processor-chelsea-lawrence-mass-provide-emergency-response-equipment-communities>

8. *June 20, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Let's Do Lunch, Inc., dba Integrated Food Service, voluntarily recalls certain ready-to-eat sandwiches because of possible health risk.** Integrated Food Service issued a voluntary recall June 19 for its ready-to-eat sandwiches due to potential *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination after routine Federal environmental sampling revealed the presence of *Listeria* on multiple food contact surfaces at the company's production facility. The cause of the contamination is under investigation and no illnesses have been reported in connection with the products which were shipped to food service distributors that serve school districts in 29 States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm507583.htm>
9. *June 20, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Fresh Express issues precautionary recall of a small quantity of Caesar Salad Kits due to an undeclared walnut allergen.** Fresh Express Inc., issued a precautionary recall June 17 for 2,449 cases of its Fresh Express Caesar Salad Kits products sold in 7.6-ounce packages due to mislabeling and undeclared walnuts after it was discovered that 2 bags of salad kits were inadvertently packed with incorrect condiments including walnuts. No illnesses have been reported and the products were distributed in 19 States, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm507575.htm>
10. *June 20, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Molly & Drew voluntarily recalls three lots of American Original Beer Bread Mix because of possible health risk.** Molly & Drew issued a recall June 17 for three lots of its American Original Beer Bread Mix products due to potential *E.coli* O121 contamination after one of the company's suppliers notified the firm that an ingredient used in the mix may be contaminated with *E.coli* O121. No illnesses have been reported and the products were sold at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc., retail stores nationwide.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm507722.htm>
11. *June 20, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Eillien's Candies Inc., voluntarily recalls various sizes and brands of snack products containing Roasted-Salted Sunflower Kernels and Roasted-Unsalted Sunflower Kernels due to possible health risk.** Eillien's Candies Inc., issued a voluntary recall May 24 for its Roasted-Salted Sunflower Kernels and Roasted-Unsalted Sunflower Kernels products sold in 63 variations due to potential *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination after its sunflower kernel supplier, SunOpta, Inc., notified the firm that the kernels it provided may be contaminated with *Listeria*. No illnesses have been reported and the products were distributed to retail stores nationwide.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm507725.htm>
12. *June 20, U.S. Department of Labor* – (New York) **OSHA cites Wegmans Food Market's Rochester bakery for repeat safety violations after operating conveyor**

injures employee's arm. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) cited Wegmans Food Market Inc., with two repeat safety violations June 20 after a December 2015 incident where an employee's hand and arm were broken while cleaning an operating conveyor belt, prompting an investigation at the Rochester, New York facility which revealed that the company violated OSHA's hazardous energy control standard, and failed to train employees on how to clean the conveyor belt without turning it off and locking out its power source. Proposed penalties total \$140,000.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=32670

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

13. *June 20, KRGV 5 Weslaco* – (Texas) **Water tank collapse causes water boil advisory.** La Grulla officials issued a boil water advisory after a water storage tank collapsed and fell on valves June 20. The city is working to plug the tank and remove all debris prior to reconnecting the tank and sampling the water for bacteria.

Source: <http://www.krgv.com/story/32266768/water-tank-collapse-causes-water-boil-advisory>

14. *June 20, Associated Press; Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **2 sewage spills send 8,500 gallons into deep Creek Lake.** Two separate sewage spills, June 17 and June 20, caused about 8,500 gallons of raw sewage to flow into Deep Creek Lake in western Maryland. Authorities issued notices urging people to avoid the water.

Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/features/green/blog/bs-md-sewage-spills-deep-creek-lake-20160620-story.html>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

Nothing to report

Government Facilities Sector

15. *June 21, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **7,893 acre wildfire 62 percent contained in Santa Barbara County; evacuation areas reduced.** Crews reached 62 percent containment June 20 of the 7,893-acre Sherpa Fire burning in Santa Barbara County. Officials stated that mandatory evacuations would be reduced to evacuation warnings by June 22 and closed areas surrounding the fire would be reopened pending the restoration of water systems and monitoring of the fire.

Source: <http://ktla.com/2016/06/20/difficult-firefighting-conditions-expected-as-7893-acre-wildfire-continues-to-burn-in-santa-barbara-county/>

16. *June 21, KSWB 69 San Diego* – (California) **Border Fire grows to 7,500 acres, evacuation shelters in place.** Crews reached 5 percent containment June 21 of the Border Fire which has burned 7,500 acres, destroyed four outbuildings, caused power outages, injured three firefighters, and prompted evacuations around Potrero,

California. State Route 94 was closed from State Route 188 to Mountain Empire RV Park due to the fire.

Source: <http://fox5sandiego.com/2016/06/21/border-fire-grows-to-7500-acres-evacuation-shelters-in-place/>

17. *June 21, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **Hundreds of homes evacuated as pair of wildfires burn in San Gabriel Mountains.** Crews worked June 21 to contain the 3,200-acre Fish Fire and the 2,400-acre Reservoir Fire burning in the San Gabriel Mountains after the fires prompted mandatory evacuations and the closure of several roadways.

Source: <http://ktla.com/2016/06/21/hundreds-of-homes-evacuated-as-pair-of-wildfires-burn-in-san-gabriel-mountains/>

18. *June 20, KTAR 92.3 FM Phoenix* – (Arizona) **Tornado warning issued for eastern Arizona near the Cedar Fire.** Crews reached 40 percent containment June 20 of the Cedar Fire which has burned nearly 27,000 acres in eastern Arizona.

Source: <http://ktar.com/story/1128557/tornado-warning-issued-for-eastern-arizona-near-the-cedar-fire/>

Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

Information Technology Sector

19. *June 20, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Cybercriminals use new tricks in phishing attacks.** Sucuri researchers reported that phishing attacks were increasing and cyber attackers were using new techniques to avoid detection after discovering that attackers were leveraging hosting providers' failures to properly configure temporary Uniform Resource Locators (URLs), which were offered to users to test their Web sites before linking them to separate domains. An attacker can register an account on a shared server, upload their phishing pages, and compile a list of other Web sites on that server, which enables hackers' access from any neighboring domain names.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/cybercriminals-use-new-tricks-phishing-attacks>

20. *June 20, PC World* – (International) **Acer security breach exposes data of 34,500 online shoppers.** Acer Inc., reported that its online store was compromised after a hacker leaked 34,500 customers' data including customer names, addresses, and credit card numbers with expiration dates and CVC security codes from May 2015 – April 2016. The breach was considered a security issue when the company inadvertently stored customer data in an unsecured format.

Source: <http://www.computerworld.com/article/3086155/security/acer-security-breach-exposes-data-of-34500-online-shoppers.html>

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

21. *June 21, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Apple patches RCE flaw in AirPort routers.** Apple released firmware versions 7.6.7 and 7.7.7 for OS X or iOS operating systems patching a remote code execution (RCE) flaw in its AirPort Express, Extreme, and Time Capsule routers due to an issue with memory corruption related to Domain Name System (DNS) data parsing, which could potentially allow a remote attacker to execute arbitrary code and compromise the user's entire network.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/apple-patches-rce-flaw-airport-routers>
22. *June 20, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Silent OS 3.0 for Blackphone brings new security features.** Silent Circle released version 3.0 for its Silent operating system (OS) used in Blackphone 2 smartphones, patching security vulnerabilities in addition to two new features in the Security Center. The two new features include the Privacy Meter and the Cellular Intrusion Detection System (CIDS) which monitors the device's configuration, checks for any data security or privacy threats, and warns users about possible threats related to the baseband and its connection to the cellular network.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/silent-os-30-blackphone-brings-new-security-features>

Commercial Facilities Sector

23. *June 21, Oakland Press* – (Michigan) **Damage by squirrels caused Troy hotel fire alarm, evacuation.** The Homewood Suites in Troy, Michigan, was evacuated for more than 2 hours June 18 after the hotel alarm sounded when smoke, coming from the attic of a pool building was reported. Officials discovered that squirrels caused an electrical circuit to short, which prompted a ventilation unit to overheat.
Source: <http://www.theoaklandpress.com/general-news/20160620/damage-by-squirrels-caused-troy-hotel-fire-alarm-evacuation>
24. *June 20, KVUE 24 Austin* – (Texas) **Fredericksburg dance hall destroyed in fire.** Fredericksburg officials reported June 19 that the Turner Hall, also known as the Fredericksburg Social Turnverein, was considered a total loss after a fire engulfed the entire building. Officials were investigating the cause of the incident and no injuries were reported.
Source: <http://www.kvue.com/news/local/fredericksburg-dance-hall-destroyed-in-fire/250485681>
25. *June 20, WDIV 4 Detroit* – (Michigan) **Police locate man who caused evacuation at Coleman A. Young building.** The Coleman A. Young Municipal Center in Detroit

was evacuated and closed June 20 after a handgun was seen on a security scan when a man entered the building. The man passed through security checkpoints before police discovered the image, and authorities identified and located the man suspected of carrying the weapon.

Source: <http://www.clickondetroit.com/news/coleman-a-young-municipal-center-in-detroit-evacuated>

Dams Sector

26. *June 17, Associated Press* – (New York) **30-mile stretch of Erie Canal to close for culvert repairs.** The New York State Canal Corp. announced June 17 that a 30-mile stretch of the Erie Canal between Brockport and the village of Middleport will be closed for several weeks beginning June 27 while crews repair one of a series of century-old culverts built under the waterway.

Source: http://www.lockportjournal.com/news/local_news/mile-stretch-of-erie-canal-to-close-for-culvert-repairs/article_baf53152-09eb-566d-a242-4c4c34f63198.html

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