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- The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission announced June 27 that beginning in 2018 oil, gas, and mining companies must disclose all payments made to foreign governments. – *Reuters* (See item [3](#))
- Volkswagen AG agreed June 28 to pay \$14.7 billion to the State of California and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission to settle allegations that the company cheated emissions tests and deceived nearly 500,000 customers by installing illegal software in select model years 2009 – 2015 Volkswagen and Audi vehicles. – *U.S. Department of Justice* (See item [6](#))
- Two Michigan men were arrested in Canton, Ohio, June 24 for allegedly using stolen credit card information to clone a credit card and purchase 501 gift cards and pre-paid debit cards. – *Canton Repository* (See item [10](#))
- More than 5,000 firefighters worked June 27 to contain 9 wildfires in California that collectively burned nearly 70,000 acres and damaged hundreds of structures. – *Los Angeles Times* (See item [16](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *June 28, WKRG 5 Mobile* – (Mississippi) **Explosion, fire at Pascagoula gas plant, under control.** The Enterprise Plant in Pascagoula remained closed June 28 while fire crews conducted a controlled burn, allowing gas to slowly burn out of the plant following a June 27 fire. No injuries were reported.
Source: <http://wkrg.com/2016/06/28/breaking-news-explosion-fire-at-pascagoula-gas-plant/>
2. *June 28, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) **Kentucky Power converts coal plant to natural gas.** Kentucky Power reported June 28 that it converted Unit 1 at its Big Sandy Power Plant in Louisa from coal to natural gas after retiring Unit 2 in 2015. The company stated that long term plans include removing Unit 2 and redeveloping part of the site into an industrial park.
Source: <http://www.wlky.com/news/Kentucky-Power-converts-coal-plant-to-natural-gas/40256548>
3. *June 27, Reuters* – (International) **SEC adopts rule on oil, mining payments to foreign governments.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission announced that it approved a rule June 27 requiring oil, gas, and mining companies to disclose payments made to foreign governments beginning in 2018. The rule requires companies to publicly release how much they pay governments in taxes, royalties, and other types of fees for exploration, extraction, and other activities.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-sec-extraction-idUSKCN0ZD2V8>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

4. *June 27, Associated Press* – (New York) **Indian Point 2 returns to service after pipe leak repair.** Entergy Corp., announced June 27 that service was restored to its Unit 2 nuclear reactor at the Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan, New York, after the unit was shutdown June 24 to complete weld repairs to a leaking pipe and allow crews to test a breaker in a nearby switchyard.
Source: <http://www.lohud.com/story/tech/science/environment/2016/06/27/indian-point/86455158/>
5. *June 27, Syracuse Post-Standard* – (New York) **FitzPatrick nuke, the source of lake oil spill, shut down suddenly Friday.** Entergy Corp.'s James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant was manually shutdown June 24 and remained in a cold shutdown June 27 after a loss of power caused water pumps to stop working when a circuit breaker tripped and a pump in the reactor cooling system went offline. Officials are investigating whether the spill of up to 30 gallons of lubrication oil from a storage tank in the nuclear plant's turbine building into Lake Ontario June 26 is related to the plant's shutdown.

Source:

http://www.syracuse.com/news/index.ssf/2016/06/fitzpatrick_nuke_the_source_of_lake_oil_spill_shut_down_suddenly_friday.html

Critical Manufacturing Sector

6. *June 28, U.S. Department of Justice* – (National) **Volkswagen to spend up to \$14.7 billion to settle allegations of cheating emissions tests and deceiving customers on 2.0 liter diesel vehicles.** In parallel settlements with the U.S. and the State of California, and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, Volkswagen AG and related entities agreed June 28 to pay up to \$14.7 billion to settle allegations that the company cheated emissions tests and deceived nearly 500,000 customers by installing illegal software in select makes of its model years 2009 – 2015 Volkswagen and Audi vehicles equipped with turbocharged direct injection (TDI) 2.0-liter diesel engines that detects when the car is being tested for compliance with Federal or California State emissions standards, and turns on full emissions controls only during the testing process. As part of the settlement, Volkswagen will spend \$10.03 billion to compensate consumers and an additional \$4.7 billion to mitigate the pollution from the vehicles and invest in green vehicle technology.

Source: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/volkswagen-spend-147-billion-settle-allegations-cheating-emissions-tests-and-deceiving>

7. *June 28, Help Net Security* – (International) **25,000-strong CCTV botnet used for crippling DDoS attacks.** Sucuri researchers discovered that a closed circuit television (CCTV) botnet comprised of 25,000 cameras worldwide was carrying out distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks against a jewelry store Web site and found that the compromised cameras were able to emulate normal behavior of popular browsers in order to make the botnet more difficult to identify and block. Researchers reported that the attackers could have hacked the devices via a recently disclosed remote code execution (RCE) vulnerability in CCTV-Digital Video Recorders (DVRs).

Source: <https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2016/06/28/25000-strong-cctv-botnet/>

8. *June 28, The Register* – (International) **Riverbed's NetProfiler, NetExpress virt appliances patched.** Riverbed released an update for two of its virtual security appliances, the SteelCentral NetProfiler and NetExpress, patching a Structured Query Language (SQL) injection, command injection, privilege escalation, local file intrusion, cross-site scripting (XSS), account hijacks, and hard-coded credential vulnerabilities, which could be linked together to obtain unauthenticated remote code execution (RCE) as the root user.

Source:

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2016/06/28/riverbeds_netprofiler_netexpress_virt_appliances_patched/

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

9. *June 27, U.S. Department of Justice* – (California) **Former attorney pleads guilty to participating in fraudulent mortgage modification scheme.** A former Irvine, California-based attorney pleaded guilty June 27 to Federal charges for his role in a multi-million dollar fraudulent mortgage modification scheme where he and co-conspirators allegedly convinced homeowners facing foreclosure to pay up to \$5,500 for services from the Rodis Law Group (RLG) by falsely claiming that RLG consisted of a team of attorneys experienced in negotiating loan modifications from the homeowners' mortgage lenders, and by purporting that RLG was consistently successful in obtaining lower interest rates for homeowners, among other misrepresentations between October 2008 and June 2009.
Source: <http://www.ocregister.com/articles/rodis-720743-mortgage-fraud.html>
10. *June 27, Canton Repository* – (Ohio) **Michigan men suspected in Canton credit card fraud.** Two Michigan men were arrested at a Walmart store in Canton, Ohio, June 24 for allegedly using stolen credit card information to clone a credit card and purchase 501 gift cards and pre-paid debit cards. Authorities stated the cards were worth over \$50,000.
Source: <http://www.cantonrep.com/news/20160627/michigan-men-suspected-in-canton-credit-card-fraud>

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Transportation Systems Sector

11. *June 28, WKRN 2 Nashville* – (Tennessee) **Tractor trailer overturns near I-24/I-40 split; third time in June.** An overturned semi-truck prompted traffic to halt for approximately 8 hours June 27 – June 28 near the Interstate 24/Interstate 40 split in Nashville when bales of cotton spilled from the semi-truck onto the roadway. The driver was seriously injured and crews worked to remove each bale individually to clear the lanes.
Source: <http://wkrn.com/2016/06/27/semi-overturns-near-i-24-i-40-split/>
12. *June 28, WAVY 10 Portsmouth* – (Virginia) **Tractor-trailer overturns, spills 34K pounds of steel, blocks traffic on Route 58.** Route 58 in Suffolk was closed for several hours June 28 after a semi-truck overturned, spilling over 34,000 pounds of steel onto the roadway.
Source: <http://wavy.com/2016/06/28/overturned-tractor-trailer-blocks-traffic-on-holland-rd-in-suffolk/>

Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *June 27, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **IKEA N.A. Services, LLC issues allergy alert on undeclared milk, almond, hazelnut in the Choklad Mork and Choklad Mork 70% Dark Chocolate Bars, Net Wt. 3.5 oz.** IKEA issued a recall June 24 for its Choklad Mork and Choklad Mork 70% Dark Chocolate Bars products

sold in 3.5-ounce packages due to undeclared milk, hazelnuts, and almonds after an analysis of the products revealed that the bars contained undeclared milk, hazelnut, and almonds. No illnesses have been reported and the products were distributed to IKEA retail stores and sold individually nationwide.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm508786.htm>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *June 27, WPSD 6 Paducah* – (Kentucky) **Algae causes boil water order for almost 3,600 water customers.** Approximately 3,600 customers in the Crittenden-Livingston County Water District were placed under a boil water advisory the weekend of June 25 after officials discovered algae in water that been filtered at the plant. Crews poured a chemical into the Cumberland River to kill the algae and officials released water from Barkley Dam into the river to help the issue.

Source: <http://www.wpsdlocal6.com/story/32319725/algae-causes-boil-water-order-for-almost-3600-water-customers>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

Nothing to report

Government Facilities Sector

15. *June 27, Associated Press* – (South Dakota) **Crow Peak wildfire still uncontained; grows to 1,000 acres.** Fire crews worked to contain the 1,000-acre Crow Peak Fire June 27 burning near Spearfish, South Dakota. Voluntary evacuation orders were issued for the surrounding area.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/state-and-regional/south-dakota/crow-peak-wildfire-still-uncontained-grows-to-acres/article_b239e220-c6a5-5d66-9d82-4593bcb791c.html
16. *June 27, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Nine California wildfires destroy almost 70,000 acres.** More than 5,000 firefighters worked June 27 to contain 9 wildfires in California, which have collectively burned nearly 70,000 acres and damaged hundreds of structures, including the 45,388-acre Erskine Fire burning in Kern County which has destroyed 250 structures and caused 2 deaths.
Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-wildfire-update-20160627-snap-story.html>
17. *June 27, Gillette News Record* – (Wyoming) **Kara Creek Fire evacuation order lifted.** Crews reached 75 percent containment June 26 of the 12,340-acre Kara Creek Fire burning near the Keyhole Reservoir in Wyoming. Officials lifted evacuation orders for residents living east of the reservoir.
Source: http://www.gillette newsrecord.com/news/local/article_1b4ad6f3-e13f-5c4c-bfb0-7224fe0f0120.html

Emergency Services Sector

18. *June 28, WMUR 9 Manchester* – (New Hampshire) **Firefighter accused of setting brush fires indicted on arson charges.** A volunteer firefighter in Stoddard was indicted June 27 for allegedly starting 2 brush fires in April which burned more than 190 acres, forced the evacuation of 17 homes, and caused an estimated \$500,000 in damage.
Source: <http://www.wmur.com/news/firefighter-accused-of-setting-brush-fires-indicted-on-arson-charges/40255942>

Information Technology Sector

19. *June 28, Softpedia* – (International) **Microsoft Office 365 corporate users hit by Cerber ransomware attack.** Avanan researchers reported that about 57 percent of all companies using Microsoft Office 365 received at least 1 copy of the Cerber ransomware in their inboxes in a June 22 attack that lasted 5 hours before Microsoft blocked the malicious file attachments.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/microsoft-office-365-corporate-users-hit-by-cerber-ransomware-attack-505726.shtml>
20. *June 27, SecurityWeek* – (International) **MIRCOP ransomware claims to be victim, demands payback.** Trend Micro researchers reported that the MIRCOP ransomware abuses Microsoft PowerShell to download and execute the malicious payload, and sends the user a ransom note claiming that the victim stole 48.48 Bitcoins, suggesting that the victim knows how to return the money. MIRCOP prepends files with the string “Lock” and can steal credentials from various applications including Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Opera, FileZilla, and Skype.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/mircop-ransomware-claims-be-victim-demands-payback>

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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

21. *June 28, Associated Press* – (South Dakota) **Nearly 70 people were evacuated from residences, a library, and a YMCA in Pierre after a city street crew ruptured an**

underground gas line. Nearly 70 people were evacuated from residences, a library, and a YMCA of the USA facility in Pierre, South Dakota, for about 2 hours June 27 while crews worked to repair a ruptured underground gas line.

Source:

<http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/1361842abf4d415a8876f98e52b02482/SD--Pierre-Gas-Leak>

22. *June 26, WXIN 59 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Apartment fire displaces 28 residents in Columbus.** Twenty-eight residents were displaced from a Columbus, Indiana apartment complex June 25 after a fire destroyed 12 apartment units. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Source: <http://fox59.com/2016/06/26/apartment-fire-displaces-28-residents-in-columbus/>

23. *June 27, SecurityWeek* – (Nevada) **Hard Rock Hotel & Casino hit by PoS malware.** The Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas released a data breach notice June 27 that stated hackers accessed customer payment card data including cardholder names, card numbers, expiration dates, and internal verification codes after installing a card scraping point-of-sale (PoS) malware on systems running the resort's payment system. The company reported the malware was designed to target payment data as it was routed through the resort's payment system, and warned that cards used at the resort's restaurant and retail outlets between October 2015 and March 2016 could be exposed.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/hard-rock-hotel-casino-hit-pos-malware>

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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