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- A co-founder of Cavalier Union Investments, LLC and Black Bull Wealth Management, LLC, pleaded guilty September 16 to Federal charges after he and a co-conspirator caused more than 50 investors to lose over \$9 million from 2009 – 2016. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia* (See item [5](#))
- An accountant and founder of Westtree Financial pleaded guilty September 15 after he embezzled over \$3 million from Houston-based Airis International Holdings from 2005 – 2012. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas* (See item [16](#))
- Mosaic Company officials reported September 16 that a 45-foot sinkhole discovered at its New Wales facility in Mulberry, Florida, August 27 leaked 215 million gallons of radioactive water into a nearby aquifer. – *Reuters* (See item [18](#))
- A levee breach at the sewage treatment plant in Brookhaven, Mississippi, caused about 6 million gallons of storm water-diluted sewage to be released into the East Branch of the Bogue Chitto River September 16. – *New Orleans Times-Picayune* (See item [33](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *September 19, Southern California City News Service* – (California) **Power restored to most in Malibu, Hawthorne, Westmont.** Crews worked September 19 to restore power to more than 26,000 Southern California Edison customers in Los Angeles County who remained without service following equipment problems September 18. Source: <http://www.dailynews.com/general-news/20160919/power-restored-to-most-in-malibu-hawthorne-westmont>
2. *September 16, AL.com* – (National) **Alabama, Georgia declare state of emergency after pipeline spill.** The governor of Alabama declared a state of emergency September 15 and the governor of Georgia declared a state of emergency September 13 after a Colonial Pipeline gasoline pipe released approximately 250,000 gallons of gasoline near Birmingham, Alabama, causing a pipeline that connects refineries in Houston to several States on the eastern and southern seaboard to shut down September 9. Officials stated the spill is contained at the site and local residents are not in danger. Source: http://www.al.com/news/index.ssf/2016/09/bentley_declares_state_of_emer.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *September 18, WMBD 31 Peoria* – (Illinois) **Flames destroy part of warehouse in Peoria.** Authorities are investigating a September 17 fire that caused an estimated \$250,000 in damage to Performance Pattern & Machine in Peoria, Illinois. No injuries were reported. Source: <http://www.centralillinoisproud.com/news/local-news/flames-destroy-part-of-warehouse-in-peoria>

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

4. *September 19, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Massachusetts* – (International) **Former Massachusetts man pleads guilty to multi-million ponzi scheme.** A former Massachusetts resident pleaded guilty September 16 to Federal charges in connection

with running a \$10 million Ponzi scheme after he convinced more than 20 investors their funds would be used to finance Jamaican businesses through bridge loans while using the funds to repay investment principal to previous investors from 2008 – 2015. Source: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-ma/pr/former-massachusetts-man-pleads-guilty-multi-million-dollar-ponzi-scheme>

5. *September 16, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia* – (Virginia) **Former owner of investment firms pleads guilty to \$9 million fraud.** A co-founder of Cavalier Union Investments, LLC and Black Bull Wealth Management, LLC, pleaded guilty September 16 to Federal charges after he and a co-conspirator allegedly caused more than 50 investors to lose over \$9 million from 2009 – 2016 by soliciting individuals to invest money in private investment funds that the duo controlled, in addition to specific investment opportunities that they proposed. The charges allege that the pair used the money for personal expenses. Source: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-edva/pr/former-owner-investment-firms-pleads-guilty-9-million-fraud>

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Transportation Systems Sector

6. *September 18, KMSB 11 Tucson* – (Arizona) **Fatal head-on crash closes Hwy 90 in Sierra Vista.** Highway 90 in Sierra Vista, Arizona, was closed for more than 2 hours September 17 while officials investigated a head-on collision that killed 1 person and sent another to an area hospital with severe injuries. Source: <http://www.tucsonnewsnow.com/story/33121876/fatal-head-on-crash-closes-hwy-90-in-sierra-vista>
7. *September 18, WKBN 27 Youngstown* – (Ohio) **Multi-vehicle crash closes part of Interstate 80.** Westbound lanes of Interstate 80 in Hubbard, Ohio, were closed for several hours September 17 while crews worked to clear the wreckage from a crash involving 3 semi-trucks that sent 2 people to an area hospital. Source: <http://wkbn.com/2016/09/17/multi-vehicle-crash-closes-part-of-interstate-80/>
8. *September 18, WNCN 17 Goldsboro* – (North Carolina) **4 killed in fiery NC bus crash identified.** A charter bus wreck closed U.S. 74 near Hamlet, North Carolina, for several hours September 17 while crews worked to clear the wreckage from the crash that killed 4 people and sent 42 others to area hospitals with injuries after a front left tire on the bus failed in a blowout. Source: <http://wsps.com/2016/09/17/2-dead-dozens-hurt-as-bus-carrying-football-team-crashes-in-nc/>
9. *September 17, KOMO 4 Bellevue; Port Angeles Peninsula Daily News* – (Washington) **Elderly man suffers medical emergency, causes head-on collision in Port Angeles.** A head-on collision prompted the closure of Highway 101 in Port Angeles, Washington, for approximately 2 hours September 16. Three people were sent to area hospitals with injuries.

- Source: <http://komonews.com/news/local/elderly-man-suffers-medical-emergency-causes-head-on-collision-in-port-angeles>
10. *September 17, KRON 4 San Francisco* – (California) **Two people killed in Redwood City car crash.** The northbound lane of Highway 1 in Redwood City, California, was closed for several hours September 17 following a 2-vehicle crash that killed 2 people.
Source: <http://kron4.com/2016/09/17/two-people-killed-in-san-mateo-car-crash/>
 11. *September 17, WLOS 13 Asheville* – (North Carolina) **Accident shuts down U.S. 25 near Flat Rock.** U.S. Highway 25 in Henderson County near Flat Rock, North Carolina, was closed in both directions for more than 2 hours September 17 following a collision.
Source: <http://wlos.com/news/local/accident-shuts-down-us-25-near-flat-rock>
 12. *September 16, KGO 7 San Francisco* – (California) **Elderly man killed in freak accident on Highway 101 in Palo Alto identified.** Northbound lanes of Highway 101 in Palo Alto, California, were shut down for 2 hours September 16 while officials investigated a single-vehicle crash that left 1 person dead after a large metal object smashed through the windshield, causing the driver to swerve off the road.
Source: <http://abc7news.com/traffic/man-killed-in-freak-accident-in-palo-alto-identified/1515410/>
 13. *September 16, Port Angeles Peninsula Daily News* – (Washington) **Former reality show star killed in wreck.** Highway 101 in Port Angeles, Washington, was closed for more than 5 hours September 16 while officials investigated the scene of a 3-vehicle crash that killed 1 person and injured 6 others.
Source: <http://www.peninsuladailynews.com/news/u-s-highway-101-blocked-for-multi-vehicle-wreck/>
 14. *September 16, Concord Patch* – (New Hampshire) **Three injured in multi-vehicle crash on Route 106.** A 3-vehicle crash closed Route 106 near the Cascade Campground in Loudon, New Hampshire, for approximately 3 hours September 16 while officials investigated the scene of the crash that injured 3 people.
Source: <http://patch.com/new-hampshire/concord-nh/three-injured-multi-vehicle-crash-route-106>
 15. *September 16, WISC 3 Madison* – (Wisconsin) **Iced tea spilled during interstate crash; semi driver arrested.** Eastbound lanes of Interstate 39/90 in Madison, Wisconsin, were closed for approximately 7 hours September 16 while crews worked to clear the wreckage from a 3-vehicle crash involving a semi-truck that spilled iced tea on the roadway.
Source: <http://www.channel3000.com/news/eastbound-lanes-of-i-3990-reopened-after-semi-crash/41696866>
 16. *September 15, U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas* – (Florida; Georgia; Texas) **Accountant convicted of embezzling more than \$3 million from Houston**

company. An accountant and founder of Westtree Financial pleaded guilty September 15 to Federal charges after he embezzled over \$3 million from Houston-based Airis International Holdings from 2005 – 2012 while providing accounting services to the company and holding signature authority on the company’s bank accounts. The charges allege that the accountant used the embezzled funds for personal expenses in Florida and Georgia.

Source: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdtx/pr/accountant-convicted-embezzling-more-3-million-houston-company>

Food and Agriculture Sector

17. *September 18, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Washington) **Gallo Meats LLC recalls sausage, beef and lamb products produced without benefit of inspection.** Gallo Meats LLC issued a recall September 17 for approximately 82 pounds of its “Hot Italian Sausage,” “Ground Lamb,” and “Beef Flank Steak” products after Federal personnel discovered the products were produced without the benefit of inspection. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions and the products were distributed to consumers in Washington.
Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2016/recall-083-2016-release>
18. *September 17, Reuters* – (Florida) **Florida sinkhole at Mosaic fertilizer site leaks radioactive water.** Mosaic Company officials reported September 16 that a 45-foot sinkhole discovered at its New Wales facility in Mulberry, Florida, August 27 leaked 215 million gallons of radioactive water into a nearby aquifer after the liner system at the base of a phosphogypsum stack was damaged. Officials were monitoring and sampling groundwater and stated no offsite impact has been detected.
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-mosaic-sinkhole-idUSKCN11M1QW>
19. *September 17, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Pennsylvania) **Bunge’s Meats recalls pork products formulated with water that did not EPA meet drinking water standards.** Bunge’s Meats issued a recall September 16 for an undetermined amount of its pork sausage products that were produced with water that did not meet U.S. Environmental Protection Agency drinking water standards after it was discovered that water samples at the company’s Catawissa, Pennsylvania facility tested positive for Coliform bacteria. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions and the products were shipped to restaurants in Pennsylvania.
Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2016/recall-082-2016-release>
20. *September 16, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Arizona) **Tucson Tamale Wholesale Company, LLC recalls beef tamale products containing meat produced without benefit of federal inspection.** Tucson Tamale Wholesale Company, LLC issued a recall September 16 for approximately 915 pounds of its beef tamale products after Federal personnel discovered the products contain meat that was produced without the benefit of Federal inspection during routine inspection activities. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions and the products were distributed to the

company's restaurants in Arizona.

Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2016/recall-081-2016-release>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

Nothing to report

Government Facilities Sector

21. *September 19, KOLO 8 Reno* – (California) **6,000-acre Owens River Fire in Mono County 20% contained.** Crews reached 20 percent containment September 19 of the roughly 6,000-acre Owens River Fire burning in the Inyo National Forest in Mono County, California, prompting officials to evacuate the Big Springs Campground, Clark Canyon, and nearby developments. The cause of the fire remains under investigation. Source: <http://www.kolotv.com/content/news/500-acre-brushfire-burning-in-Mono-County-can-be-seen-along-US-395-393847561.html>
22. *September 19, Los Angeles Times* – (California) **Central California wildfire swells to 4,500 acres at Vandenberg Air Force Base.** About 800 fire crews worked September 19 to contain the 4,500-acre wildfire burning at Vandenberg Air Force Base in Santa Barbara County, California, which forced officials to postpone the launch of the Atlas V commercial satellite and damaged power lines at the base. Source: <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-fire-vandenberg-base-20160918-snap-story.html>
23. *September 16, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Man pleads guilty to operating marijuana grow in Sequoia National Forest.** A Mexican national pleaded guilty September 14 to Federal charges for his role in a 2,608-plant marijuana grow operation in The Needles, an area of the Sequoia National Forest in Tulare County, California, from March – August 2015. Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/crime/article102437447.html>
24. *September 16, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Arkansas* – (Arkansas) **Marianna man pleads guilty in scheme to steal USDA funds intended to feed hungry children.** A former sponsor for a U.S. Department of Agriculture Child and Adult Care Feeding Program through an organization named "JL&N Outreach" pleaded guilty September 16 to submitting approximately 12 inflated claims that overstated the number of children served at feeding sites in Brinkley and Hughes, Arkansas, in order to receive more than \$380,000 in reimbursement from the Arkansas Department of Human Services from 2013 – 2014. Officials stated three co-conspirators have been indicted on charges for their roles in the scheme. Source: <https://www.justice.gov/usao-edar/pr/marianna-man-pleads-guilty-scheme->

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Emergency Services Sector

25. *September 18, WMAZ 13 Macon* – (Georgia) **Deputies respond after fight at Regional Youth Detention Center.** Authorities responded to the Macon Youth Detention Center September 17 after reports of a riot. The facility was secured and the incident remains under investigation.

Source: <http://www.13wmaz.com/news/local/deputies-respond-after-fight-at-regional-youth-detention-center/319748905>

Information Technology Sector

26. *September 19, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Cisco finds new zero-day linked to “Shadow Brokers” exploit.** Cisco researchers discovered another zero-day vulnerability leaked by Shadow Brokers in August, which affects the Internet Key Exchange (IKE) v1 packet processing code in Cisco IOS XR versions 4.3.x, 5.0.x, 5.1.x, and 5.2.x and could allow a remote, unauthenticated attacker to retrieve memory contents potentially containing sensitive information by sending a specially crafted IKEv1 packet to an affected device that is configured to accept IKEv1 security negotiation requests. Cisco was working to release a patch for the vulnerability and stated no workaround is available.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/cisco-finds-new-zero-day-linked-shadow-brokers-exploit>

27. *September 17, Softpedia* – (International) **H1N1 malware adds support for infostealing features, UAC bypass.** Cisco, Proofpoint, and independent security researchers reported recent H1N1 malware versions include a User Access Control (UAC) bypass that can be exploited via unique code obfuscation and a dynamic-link library (DLL) hijacking technique, a self-propagation feature that enables the malware to spread itself to other computers on the same network, and the ability to collect information from infected systems and send it to a central command and control (C&C) server, thereby allowing an attacker to collect and steal information from organizations in the energy, communications, financial, and government sectors, including email login data from Microsoft Outlook and Mozilla Firefox profile login data, among other data.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/h1n1-malware-adds-support-for-infostealing-features-uac-bypass-508408.shtml>

28. *September 16, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Serious flaws found in Cisco WebEx Meetings Server.** Cisco released software updates to resolve vulnerabilities in its WebEx Meetings Server version 2.6 including a critical flaw caused by insufficient sanitization of user-supplied data that can be remotely exploited to execute arbitrary commands with elevated privileges, and a high-severity issue that could allow an unauthenticated attacker to carry out denial-of-service (DoS) attacks by repeatedly

attempting to access a specific service.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/serious-flaws-found-cisco-webex-meetings-server>

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

29. *September 16, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Flaw allows hackers to alter “Signal” attachments.** Security researchers discovered the Android version of the secure messaging application Signal is plagued with several flaws, including one related to the message authentication code (MAC) used to verify attachments that can be exploited by a man-in-the-middle (MitM) attacker with access to any certificate trusted by Android to deliver an altered attachment to a targeted device. The researchers also discovered a flaw related to how the app’s CallAudioManager class handles Real-time Transfer Protocol (RTP) packets that could allow a remote attacker to crash the app. Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/flaw-allows-hackers-alter-signal-attachments>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

30. *September 19, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Family ID’s attacker behind ‘potential act of terrorism’ in St. Cloud.** The Crossroads Center mall in St. Cloud, Minnesota, was closed September 17 after a man with alleged ties to the Islamic State stabbed 9 people. The incident remains under investigation and the mall is set to reopen September 19. Source: <http://www.startribune.com/st-cloud-mall-closed-until-monday-is-crime-scene-after-stabbings/393872071/>
31. *September 18, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (New Jersey) **Bomb blast halts Marines’ charity race at shore; no injuries.** The Seaside Park, New Jersey boardwalk, area beaches, and surrounding homes were evacuated and closed until further notice September 17 after a pipe bomb exploded in a plastic garbage can. No injuries were reported and the incident remains under investigation. Source: http://www.philly.com/philly/news/new_jersey/20160918_Bomb_blast_halts_Marines_charity_race_at_Shore_no_injuries.html?photo_2
32. *September 16, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **Cops: 1 dead, dozens displaced in string of arsons in Heart of Chicago.** Authorities are investigating a string of at least 7 fires that killed 1 person and displaced about 24 others from their homes and apartments in

the Heart of Chicago neighborhood of Chicago September 16.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-multiple-fires-heart-of-chicago-20160916-story.html>

Dams Sector

33. *September 17, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Mississippi; Louisiana) **Warning issued for Bogue Chitto River after sewage release in Mississippi.** A levee breach at the sewage treatment plant in Brookhaven, Mississippi, caused approximately 6 million gallons of storm water-diluted sewage to be released into the East Branch of the Bogue Chitto River September 16, prompting the Louisiana Department of Health and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality to issue a water contact advisory for the entire length of the river in Louisiana.

Source:

http://www.nola.com/health/index.ssf/2016/09/warning_issued_for_bogue_chitt.html



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