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Energy Sector

1. *December 2, Cincinnati Enquirer* – (Ohio) **Sunoco pays Great Parks nearly \$1M for oil spill.** Sunoco Inc. agreed December 2 to pay Great Parks of Hamilton County, Ohio, \$923,000 for damages caused by a ruptured pipeline that leaked roughly 21,000 gallons of crude oil in March 2014. The payment will help to remove invasive plant species and to pay for future restoration work.
Source: <http://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/2016/12/01/great-parks-oak-glen-sunoco-settlement/94663464/>
2. *December 1, Iowa City Press-Citizen* – (Iowa) **Northside gas line break evacuates businesses.** Roads and businesses in Iowa City, Iowa, were evacuated for over 3 hours December 1 while crews worked to repair a gas leak after a construction team struck a gas line.
Source: <http://www.press-citizen.com/story/news/2016/12/01/northside-gas-line-break-closes-streets/94769304/>
3. *December 1, U.S. Department of Justice* – (North Dakota) **Slawson Exploration Company Inc. to make system upgrades and undertake projects to reduce air pollution in North Dakota.** The U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced a settlement December 1 with Slawson Exploration Company Inc. to resolve claims that Slawson allegedly failed to adequately design, operate, and maintain vapor control systems on its storage tanks at 170 of its oil and natural gas well pads in North Dakota, resulting in emissions of volatile organic compounds. As part of the settlement, Slawson will spend an estimated \$4.1 million on system upgrades, an estimated \$2 million to fund environmental mitigation projects, and will pay a \$2.1 million civil penalty.
Source: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/slawson-exploration-company-inc-make-system-upgrades-and-undertake-projects-reduce-air>
4. *December 1, WTVD 11 Durham* – (North Carolina) **Gas leak repair continues in Raleigh's Five Points area.** A gas leak in the Five Points area of Raleigh, North Carolina, December 1 forced the closure of several roads and prompted the evacuation of area businesses until further notice after crews struck a gas line.
Source: <http://abc11.com/traffic/gas-leak-repair-continues-in-raleighs-five-points-area/1634817/>

Chemical Industry Sector

5. *December 1, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (National) **Valspar recalls wood cleaner and wood brightener products due to chemical hazard.** The Valspar Corporation issued a recall December 1 for around 10,300 units of its Cabot-branded wood cleaner and wood brightener products sold in 1-gallon bottles due to a deficient cap seal that can cause the containers to leak chemical contents, which can trigger burning and other injuries. No incidents or injuries have been reported and the wood cleaners were sold at Menards stores in 3 States, while the wood brighteners were sold at Blain's Farm & Fleet, Do It Best, L&M Fleet Supply, Menards, and Orgill, Inc.

stores in 10 States.

Source: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2017/Valspar-Recalls-Wood-Cleaner-and-Wood-Brightener-Products>

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

See item [13](#)

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

6. *December 1, Lower Hudson Valley Journal News* – (New York; Connecticut) **5 facing federal charge for \$33M mortgage fraud.** Five co-conspirators were charged December 1 for their roles in a \$33 million mortgage fraud conspiracy after their company, Terra Foundation filed nearly 60 fraudulent mortgage discharges in Westchester and Putnam counties in New York and in Connecticut that made it appear as though Terra's clients' mortgages were paid off. In order to make a profit, Terra charged monthly fees for services including audits that were never performed, and convinced clients to take out a second or reverse mortgage and retained large portions of the proceeds.

Source: <http://www.lohud.com/story/news/crime/2016/12/01/bharara-charges-five-for-mortgage-fraud/94782336/>

Transportation Systems Sector

7. *December 2, KTVT 11 Fort Worth* – (Texas) **4 taken to hospital after early morning DART bus crash.** Four people were hospitalized December 2 following a head-on collision involving a Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) bus on the 515 Route and another vehicle in the Oak Cliff area of Dallas.
Source: <http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2016/12/02/4-taken-to-hospital-after-early-morning-dart-bus-crash/>
8. *December 1, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Maryland) **OSHA fines USPS \$342K after inspectors find workers exposed to bloodborne pathogen hazards at Brooklyn, Maryland, annex.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited the U.S. Postal Service LLC, doing business as Brooklyn South Carrier Annex with 1 serious, 2 willful, and 3 repeat health violations after a complaint alleging employee exposure to blood and other potentially infectious bodily fluids while handling packages labeled as containing biological infectious materials prompted a May 2016 investigation which found the company failed to implement a written blood borne pathogens exposure control plan, failed to implement a hazard communication program, and failed to

adequately train workers for blood borne pathogen protection, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$342,059.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=33489

9. *December 1, Las Vegas Review-Journal* – (Nevada) **US 95 lanes near Charleston reopen after truck spill.** Southbound U.S. Route 95 near Charleston Boulevard in Las Vegas was closed for more than 2 hours December 1 after a dump truck dropped its load in the two right lanes of the highway.
Source: <http://www.reviewjournal.com/traffic/us-95-lanes-near-charleston-reopen-after-truck-spill>
10. *December 1, San Francisco Bay City News* – (California) **Dumbarton Bridge reopens after dump truck-vehicle collision.** Eastbound lanes on the Dumbarton Bridge in Newark, California, were closed for more than 4 hours December 1 following a collision between a dump truck and another vehicle that caused fuel to spill on the roadway.
Source: <http://patch.com/california/mountainview/dumbarton-bridge-reopens-after-dump-truck-vehicle-collision-update>
11. *November 30, Grand Forks Herald* – (North Dakota) **Delta flight diverted to Fargo after leaving Grand Forks.** Delta Air Lines Flight 4813 en route to Minneapolis – Saint Paul International Airport in Minnesota from Grand Forks International Airport in North Dakota was diverted to Hector International Airport in Fargo, North Dakota, November 30 after experiencing in-flight engine issues.
Source: <http://www.grandforksherald.com/news/4169680-delta-flight-diverted-fargo-after-leaving-grand-forks>
12. *November 30, Hawaii News Now* – (Hawaii) **Hawaiian Airlines flight diverted due to disruptive passenger.** Hawaiian Airlines Flight 50 en route to John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York from Honolulu International Airport was forced to return to Honolulu November 29 due to a disruptive passenger.
Source: <http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/33825520/new-york-bound-hawaiian-airlines-flight-diverted-due-to-disruptive-passenger>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *December 2, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Company to pay \$207,000 after spill killed thousands of fish in Big Thompson River.** Colorado Parks and Wildlife officials announced December 1 that American Civil Contractors agreed to pay a \$207,000 settlement after a March 2016 chemical spill that killed over 5,600 rainbow trout, brown trout, suckers, and dace fish in northern Colorado's Big Thompson River during reconstruction of U.S. Route 34 in the Big Thompson Canyon near Loveland.
Source: <http://www.denverpost.com/2016/12/01/company-pay-spill-killed-big->

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14. *December 1, Food Safety News* – (National) **Armed federal agents seize milk products from major cooperative.** The U.S. Marshals Service seized over 4 million pounds of Valley Milk Products LLC dry nonfat and buttermilk powder products from a production unit of Maryland & Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative Association Inc. in Strasburg, Virginia, November 30 after Federal inspectors discovered unsuitable sanitary conditions inside the plant, and found internal environmental and finished product samples that tested positive for Salmonella in September 2015. The Strasburg facility has halted the production of dry milk products.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2016/12/armed-federal-agents-seize-milk-products-from-major-cooperative/#.WEGRYbIrKUI>
15. *December 1, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Bakkavor Foods USA, Inc. issues voluntary recalls of certain hummus products because of possible health risks.** Bakkavor Foods USA, Inc. issued a voluntary recall December 1 for its Trader Joe’s Mediterranean Hummus and Trader Joe’s White Bean & Basil Hummus products sold in 16-ounce tubs after testing by the firm revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in product manufactured using the same equipment. No illnesses have been reported and the products were sold in 30 States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm531359.htm>
16. *November 30, Food Safety News* – (California) **Church dinner at Legion post on Thanksgiving ends in tragedy.** Health officials reported November 30 that 3 people were killed and at least 17 others became ill after consuming bacteria potentially present in undercooked meat served at a Thanksgiving dinner at the Antioch American Legion Hall by the Golden Hills Community Church in California. Officials stated that the event was orchestrated without obtaining any permits, which would have prevented the serving of food from private homes or unlicensed facilities.
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2016/11/church-dinner-at-legion-post-on-thanksgiving-ends-in-tragedy/#.WEGVxbIrKUK>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

17. *December 1, WBBH 20 Fort Myers* – (Florida) **Sewage spill dumps 4,000 gallons into Charlotte waterway.** Charlotte County Utilities reported that the failure of an aging PVC pipe spilled 18,000 gallons of wastewater, including 4,000 gallons that flowed into the Elkcam Waterway in Port Charlotte, Florida, November 30. Utilities staff shut down four lift stations to contain the overflow and repair the affected pipe.
Source: <http://www.nbc-2.com/story/33847277/sewage-spill-dumps-4000-gallons-into-charlotte-waterway>
18. *December 1, Harrisburg Patriot-News* – (Pennsylvania) **Carlisle water customers under mandatory conservation order.** Officials in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, issued a mandatory water conservation notice for its customers December 1 after a local water treatment plant basement flooded. The cause of the water treatment plant malfunction remains under investigation and the State’s Department of Environmental Protection is

helping Carlisle to obtain water from surrounding systems.

Source: http://www.pennlive.com/news/2016/12/carlisle_water_customers_under.html

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

19. *December 1, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Pennsylvania) **Pennsylvania hospital workers exposed to violence, bloodborne hazards.** The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Universal Health Services of Doylestown Inc., doing business as Foundations Behavioral Health with 4 serious violations November 10 after a complaint alleging problems related to workplace violence prompted an investigation at the Doylestown, Pennsylvania facility which revealed the company failed to protect workers from the hazard of workplace violence, conduct an annual review of its blood borne pathogen program, and provide annual blood borne pathogen training. Proposed penalties total \$36,701.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=33492

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Government Facilities Sector

20. *December 1, Providence Journal* – (Rhode Island) **Cranston school closed on Friday due to virus outbreak; dozens sick.** Officials closed Gladstone Street School in Cranston, Rhode Island, December 2 after 161 students were absent and 50 more were sent home December 1 due to a reported viral outbreak. The school is working with the State of Rhode Island Department of Health to prevent future outbreaks.
Source: <http://www.providencejournal.com/news/20161201/cranston-school-closed-on-friday-due-to-virus-outbreak-dozens-sick>
21. *December 1, KYMA 11 Yuma* – (Arizona) **Building evacuated after bomb threat.** The Yuma County Juvenile Court in Arizona was evacuated for more than 2 hours December 1 after an anonymous caller stated there were two bombs in the facility. The building was cleared for reentry after no explosives were found.
Source: <http://www.kyma.com/news/yuma/building-evacuated-after-bomb-threat/193658941>
22. *December 1, KNSD 39 San Diego* – (California) **U.S. Marine Osprey makes precautionary emergency landing.** A U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey made a precautionary emergency landing in the Cleveland National Forest east of San Diego December 1 after the helicopter experienced an equipment issue during a routine training exercise. No injuries were reported.
Source: <http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/Helicopter-Forced-to-Make-Emergency-Landing--404135176.html>

23. *December 1, WMFZ 69 Allentown* – (Pennsylvania) **Power outage forces closure of Bernville-area school.** Penn-Bernville Elementary School in Bernville, Pennsylvania, was closed December 1 due to a power outage. Met-Ed officials reported the outage was caused by a utility pole fire.
Source: <http://www.wfmz.com/news/berks/power-outage-forces-closure-of-bernvill-area-school/193515733>
24. *December 1, WNYT 13 Albany* – (New York) **Threat prompts early dismissal at Rensselaer Jr./Sr. High School.** Students at the Rensselaer Jr./Sr. High School in New York were dismissed several hours early December 1 after a student discovered a bomb threat. Authorities searched the school and deemed the area safe after no bombs were found.
Source: <http://wnyt.com/news/rensselaer-jr-sr-high-school-threat-early-dismissal/4332628/>
25. *November 29, WITI 6 Milwaukee* – (Wisconsin) **Bomb threat discovered, classes canceled at Lincoln Intermediate School in West Allis.** Students at Lincoln Intermediate School in West Allis, Wisconsin, were evacuated November 29 after a written bomb threat was discovered in a bathroom at the school, prompting school officials to cancel classes for the remainder of the day.
Source: <http://fox6now.com/2016/11/29/bomb-threat-discovered-classes-canceled-at-lincoln-intermediate-school-in-west-allis/>

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Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

Information Technology Sector

26. *December 2, Help Net Security* – (International) **AirDroid app opens millions of Android users to device compromise.** Zimperium security researchers reported that tens of millions of users of Android's remote management tool, AirDroid are vulnerable to man-in-the-middle (MitM) attacks that could compromise their devices through fraudulent updates and result in data theft. If a user is on the same unsecured network as a malicious actor, the attacker could perform a MitM network attack to access the device authentication information, decrypt any Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) request the application performs, and redirect and modify the HTTP traffic sent and received by the device when it checks for updates, and then plant a malicious update for the app to use.
Source: <https://www.helpnetsecurity.com/2016/12/02/airdroid-vulnerability/>
27. *December 1, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Bug allows activation lock bypass on iPhone, iPad.** Security researchers discovered two variations of a flaw that can be exploited to bypass Apple's Activation Lock feature and access the homescreen of locked iPhones and iPads running Apple's mobile operating system (iOS) 10.1 and iOS

10.1.1. Once a locked device is started, users are required to connect to a WiFi network and attackers can enter long strings into the username and password fields to trigger a crash that display's the device's homescreen.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/bug-allows-activation-lock-bypass-iphone-ipad>

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Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

28. *December 2, WNBC 4 New York* – (New York) **NYPD raids Brooklyn warehouses, seize more than \$7 million in bogus Apple, Samsung smartphones.** Authorities in New York City raided 2 Brooklyn warehouses December 1 and seized more than \$7 million worth of counterfeit Apple and Samsung products, \$71,000 in cash, and arrested 3 suspects who allegedly sold counterfeit phones to unsuspecting customers through business locations across the city. The months-long investigation began when suspicious packages began coming through John F. Kennedy International Airport around May 2016.

Source: <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/NYPD-Raids-Brooklyn-Warehouses-Seize-10-Million-Apple-Samsung-Products-404162246.html>

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Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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