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- More than 80,000 people in Louisiana and Mississippi lost power January 2 after severe storms moved across the southeastern U.S. – *Associated Press* (See item [1](#))
- The former senior vice president of a Maryland-based bank was indicted December 31 after she allegedly embezzled more than \$1.8 million from 6 customers’ bank accounts from April 2010 – July 2016. – *Perry Hall Patch* (See item [2](#))
- The owner and operator of El Cajon, California-based Cunningham’s Tax Service pleaded guilty December 30 to preparing false individual income tax returns for her clients, causing the U.S. Internal Revenue Service more than \$1.2 million in losses. – *U.S. Department of Justice* (See item [3](#))
- More than 450,000 gallons of sewer water spilled into waterways throughout Mobile County, Alabama, January 1 due to heavy rains. – *WKRG 5 Mobile* (See item [11](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *January 2, Associated Press* – (National) **Officials: Storms kill 4 in southern Alabama.** More than 80,000 people in Louisiana and Mississippi lost power January 2 after severe storms moved across the southeastern U.S. The storms killed four people in Alabama and damaged structures in several States.
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/latest-storm-system-damages-wal-mart-louisiana-44517089>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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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. *December 31, Perry Hall Patch* – (Maryland) **Nottingham woman indicted on embezzlement, fraud charges.** The former senior vice president of a Maryland-based bank was indicted December 31 after she allegedly embezzled more than \$1.8 million from 6 customers' bank accounts from April 2010 – July 2016 by making unauthorized transfers and withdrawals from the accounts in order to pay for personal expenses. The charges allege that the executive abused her position at the bank to override notifications of the suspicious transactions.
Source: <http://patch.com/maryland/perryhall/nottingham-woman-indicted-embezzlement-fraud-charges>
3. *December 30, U.S. Department of Justice* – (California) **California tax return preparer pleads guilty to preparing false tax returns.** The owner and operator of El Cajon, California-based Cunningham's Tax Service pleaded guilty December 30 to preparing false individual income tax returns for her clients for tax years 2008 – 2010 which included fraudulent medical and dental expenses, education credits, and false charitable deductions, causing the U.S. Internal Revenue Service more than \$1.2 million in losses.
Source: <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/california-tax-return-preparer-pleads-guilty->

Transportation Systems Sector

4. *January 3, KXAS 5 Fort Worth* – (Florida) **Southwest flight from Texas to Florida forced to land after pressurization issue.** Southwest Airlines Flight 3556 traveling from San Antonio International Airport to Orlando International Airport in Florida was forced to make an emergency landing at Jacksonville International Airport in Florida January 2 following a pressurization issue. No injuries were reported and the plane was taken out of service for an inspection.
Source: <http://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/Southwest-Flight-from-Texas-to-Florida-Forced-to-Land-After-Pressurization-Issue-409493315.html>
5. *January 3, Brazoria County Brazosport Facts* – (Texas) **Overtaken truck, loads shut down Highway 332 for hours.** A portion of Texas State Highway 332 near County Road 680 in Lake Jackson was closed for more than 3 hours January 2 after a semi-truck overturned and spilled the roughly 50,000 pounds of fertilizer it was transporting.
Source: http://thefacts.com/news/article_ded549bc-0563-50e1-8594-8da87e22514c.html
6. *January 3, CNN* – (National) **Computer outage disrupts customs at US airports.** The U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s processing systems for arriving international travelers experienced an outage for roughly 4 hours January 2 due to a computer glitch that resulted in delays at airports nationwide. During the outage, customs officials processed international travelers through alternative measures and assured that all travelers were screened in accordance with security standards.
Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2017/01/02/americas/us-customs-computer-outage/>
7. *December 31, Fresno Bee* – (California) **Fatalities reported in multiple crashes on foggy I-5 near Highway 99 split; major traffic backups reported.** Interstate 5 near the Highway 99 split in Kern County, California, was closed for around 8 hours December 31 following 2 separate multi-vehicle chain reaction crashes that killed 2 people and injured several others. Officials believe dense fog contributed to the crashes.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article123981134.html>
8. *December 30, WLRN 17 Miami/Fort Lauderdale* – (Florida) **Overseas Highway closed for hours by fatal crash.** The Overseas Highway in the Lower Keys portion of the Florida Keys was closed for several hours December 30 while officials investigated a collision that killed 1 person.
Source: <http://wlrn.org/post/overseas-highway-closed-hours-fatal-crash>
9. *December 30, WRAL 5 Raleigh* – (North Carolina) **Woman dies in crash involving highway patrol cruiser.** U.S. Route 1 in southwest Wake County, North Carolina, was closed for several hours December 30 after a vehicle struck a State Highway Patrol vehicle that was stopped on the shoulder of the road, killing 1 person. Authorities reported that the patrol vehicle was not occupied.

Source: <http://www.wral.com/woman-dies-in-crash-involving-highway-patrol-cruiser/16385803/>

Food and Agriculture Sector

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

10. *January 2, KGO 7 San Francisco* – (California) **San Francisco’s main water supply shut down for 60 day inspection.** Officials from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission will shut down access to the city’s main water supply, the Hetch Hetchy water system, January 3 for a 60-day period while authorities inspect an 18-mile long tunnel that transports water from the reservoir into the Bay Area after a previous inspection revealed deterioration of the tunnel’s lining. Five regional reservoirs have been put into service and officials expect no interruptions in water services during the inspection.
Source: <http://abc7news.com/news/sfs-main-water-supply-shut-down-for-60-day-inspection/1683421/>
11. *January 2, WKRG 5 Mobile* – (Alabama) **Roughly half million gallons of sewage spills into Mobile waterways; more expected.** More than 450,000 gallons of sewer water spilled into waterways throughout Mobile County, Alabama, January 1 due to heavy rains.
Source: <http://wkrg.com/2017/01/02/roughly-half-million-gallons-of-sewage-spills-into-mobile-waterways-more-expected/>
12. *January 2, York Dispatch* – (Pennsylvania) **York Water Co. finds some lead contamination.** The York Water Company in York, Pennsylvania, announced January 2 plans to replace all of the lead lines it owns over the next 4 years after a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-mandated water sampling in September 2016 found traces of lead in the tap water of some of the area’s homes.
Source: <http://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/2016/10/25/york-water-co-finds-some-lead-contamination/92732612/>
13. *December 29, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **Tanker crash leads to diesel spill in Cimarron River.** Up to 1,100 gallons of diesel fuel spilled into the Cimarron River outside of Eagles Nest, New Mexico, after a tanker truck slid off the roadway and into the river. No injuries were reported and a HAZMAT team worked to clean up the spill.
Source: <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2016/dec/29/tanker-crash-leads-to-diesel-spill-in-cimarron-riv/>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

14. *January 3, SecurityWeek* – (National) **Government subcontractor leaks military healthcare worker data.** Potomac Healthcare Solutions is investigating January 3 after a MacKeeper security researcher reportedly discovered that an unprotected remote

synchronization service linked to a Potomac Internet Protocol (IP) address was exposing files that contained the sensitive information of healthcare professionals working at Potomac facilities and U.S. military installations.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/government-subcontractor-leaks-military-healthcare-worker-data>

15. *December 31, WDBJ 7 Roanoke* – (Virginia) **Fire at Mount Regis Center in Salem caused by improperly discarded smoking materials.** The Mount Regis Center in Salem, Virginia, was considered a total loss following a fire December 30 that caused an estimated \$600,000 in damages and forced the evacuation of up to 30 patients. No injuries were reported and officials determined the fire was caused by inadequately discarded smoking materials.

Source: <http://www.wdbj7.com/content/news/Fire-crews-respond-to-fire-in-Salem-408909875.html>

Government Facilities Sector

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Emergency Services Sector

16. *January 2, Providence Journal* – (Rhode Island) **Central Falls mayor: Inmate escape ‘unacceptable’; 2 officers on leave.** Authorities are searching January 1 for an inmate who escaped from the Donald W. Wyatt Detention Facility in Central Falls, Rhode Island, December 31. Two corrections officers were placed on leave while officials investigate the escape and the facility remains locked down.

Source: <http://www.providencejournal.com/news/20170101/central-falls-mayor-inmate-escape-unacceptable-2-officers-on-leave>

Information Technology Sector

17. *January 3, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Libpng patches flaw introduced in 1995.** The developers of the Slackware Linux distribution released updates for the libpng official Portable Network Graphics (PNG) reference library resolving a null pointer dereference vulnerability impacting PNG image editors that could be exploited to cause a denial-of-service (DoS) condition.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/libpng-patches-flaw-introduced-1995>

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Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

18. *January 1, WBZ 4 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **Dozens lose apartments after 5-alarm fire destroys Lynn building.** A 5-alarm fire displaced 65 people and destroyed an apartment building in Lynn, Massachusetts, January 1. Two firefighters were treated for minor injuries and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.
Source: <http://boston.cbslocal.com/2017/01/01/lynn-fire-apartment-building-west-baltimore-street/>

19. *January 1, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **One dead, 2 missing, several injured in Holyoke fire.** An apartment building in Holyoke, Massachusetts, was destroyed January 1 following a 2-alarm fire that killed 1 person and displaced 49 residents. Several people were injured and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.
Source:
http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/01/one_dead_2_missing_several_inj.html

20. *December 31, WABC 7 New York* – (New York) **5-alarm fire in Kew Gardens Hills destroys businesses; building condemned.** A 5-alarm fire destroyed a building that housed 14 businesses in Queens, New York, December 30. No serious injuries were reported and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.
Source: <http://abc7ny.com/news/kew-gardens-hills-building-condemned-after-5-alarm-fire-/1679894/>

Dams Sector

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