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- An accident involving a semi-truck carrying military-grade explosives closed U.S. Highway 271 in Grant, Oklahoma, for approximately 15 hours January 7 until an ordnance team reported that the explosives were stable and safe. – *KXII 12 Sherman* (See item [8](#))
- Police fatally shot a man outside of Port Columbus International Airport in Ohio January 7 after the suspect allegedly attempted to use a fake ID to purchase a plane ticket and then pulled a knife when confronted. – *WLWT 5 Cincinnati; Associated Press* (See item [10](#))
- A former Shell Pipeline Company employee pleaded guilty January 7 in federal court in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for failing to follow federal law which led to a spill of 9,000 gallons of jet fuel in January 2012 costing \$19 million for cleanup. – *Milwaukee-Wisconsin Journal Sentinel* (See item [11](#))
- One person was taken into custody as the Tanglewood apartment complex in Kansas City, Missouri, was evacuated January 8 while authorities removed apparent improvised explosive devices from a unit in the building. – *Kansas City Star* (See item [36](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *January 8, Associated Press* – (National) **EPA moves to count methane emissions from fracking.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency proposed a new rule as part of their Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program that would require energy companies to report to the federal government all greenhouse gas emissions from oil well fracking operations and natural gas compressor stations and pipelines. The proposed rule is expected to be finalized in 2015.
Source: http://www.kitsapsun.com/news/state/epa-moves-to-count-methane-emissions-from-fracking_76305968
2. *January 7, Associated Press* – (Tennessee) **State sues TVA over coal ash at Gallatin plant.** The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation filed a lawsuit January 7 against the Tennessee Valley Authority over its coal-burning power plant in Gallatin claiming that contaminants were leaking into local groundwater as a result of unlined storage ponds being used to dispose of coal ash. The lawsuit is seeking a permanent injunction that requires the company to comply with solid waste disposal and water quality laws and seeks civil penalties.
Source: http://www.sunherald.com/2015/01/07/6005190_state-sues-tva-over-leaky-coal.html
3. *January 7, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **State says frozen pipe causes 250-barrel saltwater spill.** The North Dakota Oil and Gas Division announced January 7 that American Eagle Energy Corp., reported a saltwater spill January 6 of more than 10,000 gallons near Fortuna. A frozen pipe caused the spill which was contained and recovered on the site.
Source: <http://www.kxnet.com/story/27786904/state-says-frozen-pipe-causes-250-barrel-saltwater-spill>
4. *January 7, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Pennsylvania) **Police seek suspects in Mitchell Power Station theft.** Two break-ins in the last 2 months at the Mitchell Power Station in Washington County are being investigated by police due to equipment and interior damages that occurred alongside stolen copper. One incident November 9 involved six suspects while a December 31 incident involved the cutting of a fence, but police stated that it was not clear if the incidents are related.
Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/local/washington/2015/01/07/Police-seek-suspects-in-Mitchell-Power-Station-theft-First-Energy-Pennsylvania-Washington-County/stories/201501070171>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

5. *January 8, Idaho Falls Post Register* – (Idaho) **State fines federal government thousands over missed INL cleanup deadline.** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality announced January 7 that the agency will begin issuing fines of \$3,600 per day to the U.S. Department of Energy for missing a December 31 deadline agreed to in 1992 for the cleanup of 900,000 gallons of liquid radioactive waste at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center.
Source: http://www.idahostatesman.com/2015/01/08/3579194_state-fines-doe-thousands-over.html
6. *January 5, Associated Press* – (Oklahoma) **Stolen radioactive device recovered in Oklahoma City.** The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality reported January 5 that a moisture content gauge containing radioactive material which was stolen in December 2014 was found and recovered during the January 3-4 weekend. The radioactive material remained securely within the device.
Source: <http://www.news9.com/story/27763823/stolen-radioactive-device-recovered-in-oklahoma-city>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

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Financial Services Sector

7. *January 7, Securityweek* – (International) **Attackers spread Dridex banking trojan via malicious macros.** Researchers with Trustwave identified an attack campaign that uses phishing emails to attempt to spread the Dridex banking malware through Microsoft Office documents containing malicious macros. The campaign prompts users to enable macros and is currently targeting users in the U.K.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/attackers-spread-dridex-banking-trojan-malicious-macros>

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Transportation Systems Sector

8. *January 8, KXII 12 Sherman* – (Oklahoma) **Semi carrying explosives wrecks on Choctaw Co. highway.** An accident involving a semi-truck carrying military-grade explosives and a vehicle prompted law enforcements and Choctaw County Emergency Management team to close down all lanes of U.S. Highway 271 in Grant, Oklahoma, for approximately 15 hours as a precaution January 7. An ordnance team reported that the explosives were stable and safe after inspection and reopened the highway.
Source: <http://www.kxii.com/morningshow/headlines/Highway-reopened-after-semi-accident--287784251.html>
9. *January 8, Oroville Mercury Register* – (California) **Big-rig topples over, spills thousands of walnut shells on Butte County highway.** A semi-truck transporting thousands of pounds of walnut shells overturned January 7 in Butte County, closing a section of Highway 162 for several hours due to the spillage blocking the road. A detour was put in place while the road was closed for cleanup.
Source: <http://www.orovillemr.com/general-news/20150107/big-rig-topples-over-spills-thousands-of-walnut-shells-on-butte-county-highway>
10. *January 8, WLWT 5 Cincinnati; Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Man killed by police at Columbus airport identified.** A man was shot and killed during an officer-involved shooting outside of Port Columbus International Airport January 7 after the suspect allegedly attempted to use a fraudulent ID to purchase a plane ticket and then lunged at police with a knife when confronted. Some areas of the airport were placed off-limits and passengers diverted around them, while the incident also caused some flight delays.
Source: <http://www.wlwt.com/news/1-dead-in-officerinvolved-shooting-at-columbus-airport/30577822>
11. *January 7, Milwaukee-Wisconsin Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Ex-Shell worker pleads guilty in Mitchell airport fuel spill.** A former employee of Shell Pipeline Company pleaded guilty January 7 in federal court in Milwaukee for failing to follow federal law while doing his job to oversee maintenance of a jet fuel pipeline near Mitchell International Airport which led to a spill of 9,000 gallons of jet fuel in January 2012 costing \$19 million for cleanup.
Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/crime/ex-worker-pleads-guilty-in-massive-mitchell-airport-fuel-spill-b99421937z1-287833691.html>
12. *January 7, Miami Herald* – (Florida) **Inspector General: Miami-Dade airport insurance scam led to loss of over \$400,000.** Authorities reported January 7 that Sabal Insurance Group and its president allegedly overbilled airport operator Miami-Dade Aviation Department and baggage handling company Quality Aircraft Services Inc., by over \$400,000 and are being charged with 5 counts of grand theft stemming from premiums sold in 2009 and 2010.
Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/crime/article5562765.html>
13. *January 7, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **2 dead, dozens hurt in 18-vehicle crash during Pennsylvania whiteout.** An 18-vehicle accident occurred January 7 on

Interstate 80 in Clarion Township during a snow storm that created minimal visibility on the highway. Two passengers involved were killed and dozens of others were injured.

Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/chi-pennsylvania-pileup-20150107-story.html>

14. *January 7, KCPQ 13 Tacoma* – (Washington) **4 flights diverted from Sea-Tac Airport due to fog.** Four flights diverted from landings at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport due to fog January 6, with two of the flights landing at Boeing Field and another diverting to San Francisco.

Source: <http://q13fox.com/2015/01/07/3-flights-land-at-boeing-field-instead-of-sea-tac-airport/>

15. *January 7, KNBC 4 Los Angeles* – (California) **Two big rigs, tour bus in crash on 60 Freeway.** A crash involving 2 semi-trucks and a Pala Casino-bound Bus Limo Express tour bus on the eastbound 60 Freeway in Los Angeles County injured 23 people January 7, 13 of whom were taken to local hospitals. The cause of the crash remains under investigation.

Source: <http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/Semi-Truck-Collides-With-Tour-Bus-287809501.html>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

16. *January 7, San Francisco Bay City News* – (California) **Two alarm fire at Evergood Fine Foods causes estimated \$1.5M in damage New Year's Eve.** Authorities reported January 7 that a 2-alarm fire at the Evergood Fine Foods sausage factory in San Francisco December 31 caused an estimated \$1.5 million in damage to the structure and about 30,000 pounds of sausages that were lost in the fire. Production operations were transferred to outside manufacturing plants until officials could determine when production would resume at the facility.

Source: <http://sfappeal.com/2015/01/two-alarm-fire-at-evergood-fine-foods-causes-estimated-1-5m-in-damage-new-years-eve/>

17. *January 7, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (Texas) **H-E-B issues a voluntary precautionary recall for certain single serving soups due to potential undeclared peanut allergens.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced January 6 that H-E-B issued a voluntary and precautionary recall for its Single Serving Tortilla Soup and Single Serving Poblano Corn Chowder after its supplier, Southern Style Spices, notified the company that one of the spice blend ingredient components used in the products tested positive for peanut residue. The affected products were sold in 8-ounce and 16-ounce prepackaged containers and also sold at H-E-B stores' Deli/Prepared Foods Counters.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm429338.htm>

18. *January 6, Mt. Pleasant Morning Sun* – (Michigan) **One injured and about 300 pigs**

perish in Monday’s barn fire. About 300 pigs perished at the High Lean Pork farm in Mecosta County January 5 when an explosion in an employee room sparked a fire that engulfed an animal barn. Authorities investigated the cause of the fire that injured one worker, while crews cleaned debris from the scene.

Source: <http://www.themorningsun.com/general-news/20150106/one-injured-and-about-300-pigs-perish-in-mondays-barn-fire>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

19. *January 8, WFIE 14 Evansville* – (Indiana) **Boil advisory issued after water main break in Evansville.** The Reitz Hill area of Evansville was issued a boil advisory after a water main break January 7 caused by cold temperatures. The break cut off water to the FJ Reitz High School and bottled water was brought in for staff and students.

Source: <http://www.14news.com/story/27785852/boil-advisory-issued-after-water-main-break-in-evansville>

20. *January 7, Greensboro News & Record* – (North Carolina) **Pipe failure causes discharge of 2,500 gallons of untreated wastewater.** A pipe failure caused about 2,500 gallons of wastewater to discharge from a sewer main in Greensboro January 7. Crews used a sewer vacuum to contain the spill before it reached surface waters.

Source: http://www.news-record.com/news/local_news/pipe-failure-causes-discharge-of-gallons-of-untreated-wastewater/article_27c04148-96bc-11e4-9aee-efabc978e060.html

21. *January 7, WISH 8 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Three water main breaks in Anderson hours apart.** Three different water main breaks occurred in Anderson, Indiana, within the span of several hours January 7, including one break that cut water service to about 500 residences mostly in the Redbud Estates area. Crews were working to restore service affected areas.

Source: <http://wishtv.com/2015/01/07/three-water-main-breaks-in-anderson-hours-apart/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

22. *January 7, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **43 states hit with ‘widespread’ flu activity, CDC reports.** The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that 43 States experienced “widespread” flu activity and 6 others reported “regional” flu activity due to influenza viruses that caused 8,893 deaths in 2014.

Source: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/43-states-hit-with-widespread-flu-activity-cdc-reports/ar-AA7SnWd>

23. *January 7, Associated Press* – (California) **9 measles cases linked to Disney theme parks in California.** The California Department of Public Health announced January 7 that 7 individuals from California and 2 from Utah have confirmed cases of measles which were likely contracted on trips to Disney theme parks in the State between December 15 and December 20. Three additional cases are suspected and health officials urged anyone who may have been exposed to check with a doctor.
Source: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/9-measles-cases-linked-to-disney-theme-parks-in-california/ar-AA7TLgr>

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Government Facilities Sector

24. *January 8, Fayetteville Observer* – (North Carolina) **Early morning fire guts Old Dock Elementary School in Columbus County.** The main building at Old Dock Elementary School in North Carolina that housed classrooms, administrative offices, a library, and an auditorium was destroyed by a January 7 fire causing displaced classes to be held in the school gym. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.
Source: http://www.fayobserver.com/news/crime_courts/early-morning-fire-guts-old-dock-elementary-school-in-columbus/article_7c09e46d-12f9-5192-9ab4-5d576b930f14.html
25. *January 8, Springfield Republican* – (Massachusetts) **Western Massachusetts school closings and delays for Thursday, January 8, 2015.** Frigid temperatures prompted school officials in several western Massachusetts communities to close 10 school districts and delay openings for 28 others January 8.
Source: http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2015/01/western_massachusetts_school_c_8.html
26. *January 7, Roanoke Times* – (Virginia) **Roanoke County students bruised in school bus crash.** Eight high school and middle school students were injured following an accident between Roanoke County School Bus No. 71 and another vehicle in the northbound lane of U.S. 220 near Crowell Gap Road January 7.
Source: http://www.roanoke.com/news/local/roanoke_county/roanoke-county-students-bruised-in-school-bus-crash/article_7d826e93-f96d-50df-b691-8171d39d9b7f.html
27. *January 7, WKOW 27 Madison* – (Wisconsin) **Lafayette County man arrested after posting bomb threat on Facebook.** Darlington Police arrested a man in Lafayette County January 7 for posting a comment on social media threatening to blow up the Lafayette County Human Services inside the Darlington Municipal building and do harm to police officers.
Source: <http://www.wkow.com/story/27787159/2015/01/07/lafayette-county-man-arrested-after-posting-bomb-threat-on-facebook>
28. *January 7, Reuters* – (Washington) **Washington state school district cancels classes after reports of gunman.** Washington officials lifted a lockdown after about 2 hours

and cancelled classes at all schools in the Shoreline School District January 7 after reports of an armed man on the campus of an elementary school. Students were released under police supervision while officers searched the buildings.

Source: <http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/washington-state-school-district-cancels-classes-after-reports-of-gunman/ar-AA7SM43>

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Emergency Services Sector

29. *January 8, WLEX 18 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Stolen ambulance crashes into vehicles, utility pole in Louisville.** A man was transported to an area hospital with injuries after driving a stolen Norton Healthcare and Kosair Children’s Hospital ambulance into four vehicles and a utility pole in the Germantown-Schnitzelburg area of Louisville January 7. Crews responded to the scene to repair the pole and downed power lines.

Source: <http://www.lex18.com/story/27789664/stolen-ambulance-crashes-into-vehicles-utility-pole-in-louisville>

30. *January 7, Yakima Herald-Republic* – (Washington) **Mabton man charged with making a bomb threat via Twitter postings.** A Mabton man was arrested after posting threatening statements on social media saying he wanted to shoot a police officer and bomb a police station December 28. A Philadelphia Police Department officer spotted the posting and notified police in Washington about the threats.

Source: <http://www.yakimaherald.com/news/latestlocalnews/2805774-8/mabton-man-charged-with-making-a-bomb-threat>

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Information Technology Sector

31. *January 8, Help Net Security* – (International) **Hackers use Pastebin to deliver backdoor code.** Researchers with Sucuri Security identified several attacks targeting WordPress Web sites running outdated versions of the RevSlider plugin that downloads malicious code hosted on the Pastebin service to the targeted sites, where it is then executed. A vulnerability in the plugin is then used to install a backdoor on the targeted sites.

Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2937

32. *January 8, The Register* – (International) **Thunderstrike shocks OS X with firmware bootkit.** A researcher presented at the Chaos Communications Congress security conference an outlined attack dubbed Thunderstrike that can use legacy option ROMs to replace the RSA keys in Mac OS X machines’ extensible firmware interface (EFI) and allow the installation of malicious firmware. The attack works against Macbooks

released since the introduction of Thunderbolt in 2011 and requires brief physical access, though the researcher stated that it may be able to be exploited remotely.

Source:

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2015/01/08/thunderstrike_shocks_os_x_with_first_firmware_bootkit/

33. *January 8, Softpedia* – (International) **8chan attacked with Lizard Stresser and knocked offline.** The 8chan image board service experienced a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack January 8, preventing users from accessing the site. The Twitter account of the Lizard Squad hacktivist group stated that the group's Lizard Stresser DDoS tool was being used in the attack.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/8chan-Attacked-with-Lizard-Stresser-and-Knocked-Offline-469327.shtml>

34. *January 7, SC Magazine* – (International) **Stealthy 'XOR.DDoS' trojan infects Linux systems, installs rootkit.** Researchers with Avast reported that the recently discovered XOR.DDoS malware has been targeting Linux systems and is using a rootkit to avoid detection. The malware is possibly being used by a small group to build up infrastructure for use in distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks.

Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/malware-targets-linux-and-arm-architecture/article/391497/>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

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Commercial Facilities Sector

35. *January 8, Hometownlife.com* – (Michigan) **Fire at second Westland apartment complex.** About 34 residents were displaced from the Woodland Villa Apartments complex in Westland January 7 in a fire that damaged 24 units. A January 5 fire at Warris Farms Apartments displaced 20 residents and damaged 4 units in Westland. Source: <http://www.hometownlife.com/story/news/local/westland/2015/01/07/fire-second-westland-apartment-complex/21415963/>

36. *January 8, Kansas City Star* – (Missouri) **Possible explosives force evacuation of Kansas City, North apartments.** One person was taken into custody as residents were evacuated from the Tanglewood apartment complex in the Northland area of Kansas City January 8 while authorities removed apparent improvised home-made explosive devices and some precursor chemicals from a unit in the building. The discovery was made after police initially responded to check on a possible suicidal person at the complex.

Source: <http://www.kansascity.com/news/local/article5608344.html>

37. *January 7, WABC 7 New York City* – (New York) **Long Island strip mall burns in early morning fire.** At least 6 stores at a strip mall in Huntington Station were destroyed by a fire that broke out January 7. Authorities worked to determine the cause of the blaze which is believed to have started in a comic book store.

Source: <http://7online.com/news/fire-burns-through-long-island-strip-mall/465179/>

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Dams Sector

38. *January 7, KREM 2 Spokane* – (Washington) **Wanapum State Park opens to the public.** The Wanapum State Park reopened to the public January 7 after 10 months of repairs to address a crack that was discovered February 2014 in the Wanapum Dam's spillway.

Source: <http://www.krem.com/story/news/local/grant-county/2015/01/07/wanapum-state-park-open-to-public/21400051/>

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