



## Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 13 March 2015

### Top Stories

- Michigan officials announced March 11 that an accident and explosion involving 2 cars and a semi-truck on Interstate 94 prompted the total closure of the highway March 16. – *MLive.com* (See item [6](#))
- Federal authorities confirmed March 11 that 40,020 turkeys in Boone County, Arkansas, were infected with the highly pathogenic H5N2 avian influenza strain, prompting foreign importers to halt turkey imports. – *Reuters* (See item [10](#))
- Officials announced March 10 that 11 individuals from Michigan, Texas, and Ohio were charged with identify theft and credit card fraud after a Blue Cross Blue Shield employee allegedly shared the information of over 5,000 subscribers. – *Detroit News; Associated Press* (See item [14](#))
- Water service to the State Correctional Institution at Albion in Pennsylvania was cut off after a leak in a valve on the prison’s water tower discharged over 3 million gallons March 8. – *Associated Press* (See item [18](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *March 11, Associated Press* – (Montana) **Oil shipments to resume in pipeline that broke beneath Montana river; cleanup still on hold.** Bridger Pipeline LLC announced March 11 that the company is preparing to resume oil shipments through a pipeline that broke and discharged 30,000 gallons of crude into Montana's Yellowstone River in January, causing the water supply to the city of Glendive to be temporarily contaminated. The company stated that efforts to remove oil from the river will resume once it is clear of ice.  
Source: <http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/693ed04fd0264135825d7bd374482838/US--Pipeline-Spill>
2. *March 11, KCBD 11 Lubbock* – (New Mexico) **1 killed, 1 injured in Lea County oil field explosion.** A March 11 explosion triggered while employees loaded materials into a perforated pipe that was being installed into the drilling pipe at a Mesquite SWD-owned oil field site in Lea County, New Mexico, and left one Warrior Wireline worker dead and another injured. Authorities are investigating the incident.  
Source: <http://www.kcbd.com/story/28400885/1-killed-1-injured-in-lea-county-oil-field-explosion>

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## Chemical Industry Sector

3. *March 12, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Pennsylvania) **Faulty system blamed for fatal explosion at Horsehead plant.** The U.S. Chemical Safety Board released a report March 12 on the July 2010 explosion at the Horsehead Corp., plant in Potter Township which killed 2 workers, stating that the explosion was likely caused by a faulty drainage system that turned zinc refining equipment into a pressure cooker that exploded. The board wrote that human factors played a critical role in the incident as issues several hours prior to the explosion were not observed and rectified.  
Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/business/pittsburgh-company-news/2015/03/12/Faulty-system-blamed-for-fatal-explosion-at-Horsehead-plant/stories/201503120049>

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## Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

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## Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *March 11, Reuters* – (National) **Toyota to recall 112,500 U.S. vehicles on possible safety issues.** Toyota Motor Corp issued a recall March 11 for about 110,000 model year 2015 Camry, Camry Hybrid, Highlander, and Highlander Hybrid and model year 2014-2015 RAV4 vehicles due to possible manufacturing damage in their electric power steering circuit boards. The recall also includes 2,500 model year 2012-2014 RAV4 EV vehicles for software issues that could cause them to shift into neutral, increasing the risk of a crash.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/03/11/us-toyota-recall-idUSKBN0M728220150311>

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## Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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## Financial Services Sector

5. *March 11, U.S. Department of Justice* – (Connecticut) **RBS trader admits defrauding customers in multimillion dollar securities fraud scheme.** A former trader at Royal Bank of Scotland Securities Inc., (RBS) pleaded guilty March 11 to his role in a securities fraud scheme in which he and co-conspirators defrauded at least 20 victim firms out of millions of dollars by misrepresenting collateralized loan obligation bond prices to buyers and sellers to increase RBS' profits, often creating fictitious third party sellers that enabled RBS to collect extra commissions on sales. Some of the victimized firms were affiliated with recipients of federal bailout funds through the Troubled Asset Relief Program.

Source: <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/rbs-trader-admits-defrauding-customers-multimillion-dollar-securities-fraud-scheme>

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## Transportation Systems Sector

6. *March 12, MLive.com* – (Michigan) **MDOT: I-94 east at Southfield Freeway closed through weekend following Dearborn tanker explosion.** The Michigan Department of Transportation announced March 11 that an accident and explosion involving 2 cars and a semi-truck hauling 13,000 gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel near eastbound Interstate 94 prompted the total closure of the highway from the Southfield Freeway,

M-39, in Dearborn to Interstate 96 in Detroit through March 16. The accident caused an explosion and authorities worked to clear the debris and ensure the gasoline and fuel did not cause any further fires.

Source: [http://www.mlive.com/news/detroit/index.ssf/2015/03/mdot\\_i-94\\_east\\_at\\_southfield\\_f.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/detroit/index.ssf/2015/03/mdot_i-94_east_at_southfield_f.html)

7. *March 12, KDKA 2 Pittsburgh* – (Pennsylvania) **Twizzlers spilled all over I-70 in Westmoreland County.** A semi-truck carrying Twizzlers licorice candy swerved and crashed into a barrier on Interstate 70 in Westmoreland County between Arnold City and Fayette City/Donora spilling the Twizzlers onto the roadway which prompted the interstate's closure for several hours March 11 while crews cleaned the debris.  
Source: <http://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2015/03/12/twizzlers-spilled-all-over-i-70-in-westmoreland-county/>
8. *March 11, Richmond Times-Dispatch* – (Virginia) **Richmond woman killed in I-64 pileup in New Kent.** Eastbound lanes of Interstate 64 between exits 205 and 211 in New Kent County were closed for more than 7 hours March 11 due to a 5-vehicle accident that killed 1 person and injured another.  
Source: [http://www.richmond.com/news/local/central-virginia/new-kent/article\\_0e60c959-7274-546a-9891-d01043a93228.html](http://www.richmond.com/news/local/central-virginia/new-kent/article_0e60c959-7274-546a-9891-d01043a93228.html)

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## **Food and Agriculture Sector**

9. *March 12, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Giant Eagle voluntary recall of Irish Soda Bread due to undeclared milk allergen.** Giant Eagle issued a voluntary recall March 11 for its Irish Soda Bread baked and sold in Giant Eagle and Market District stores in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, and West Virginia due to mislabeling of an undeclared milk allergen following a reported case of customer illness associated with the product.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm437836.htm>
10. *March 12, Reuters* – (International) **Highly pathogenic bird flu confirmed in Arkansas turkeys: USDA.** The U.S. Department of Agriculture confirmed March 11 that 40,020 turkeys in Boone County, Arkansas, at a commercial farm flock that supplies Tyson Foods Inc., Pilgrim's Pride Corp, and Sanderson Farms Inc., were infected with the same highly pathogenic H5N2 avian influenza strain that was recently identified in Minnesota and Missouri. The affected premises were quarantined and the infected birds will be culled, while foreign importers have halted turkey imports from Arkansas as a result.  
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/03/12/us-birdflu-arkansas-turkeys-idUSKBN0M720S20150312>
11. *March 11, KCBD 11 Lubbock* – (Texas) **3 injured in water tank explosion at Minsa plant in Muleshoe.** Three people were injured after a water tank exploded at a Minsa plant outside of Muleshoe March 11. The plant was evacuated and utilities were shut

off as a precaution while authorities investigated the cause of the explosion.  
Source: <http://www.kcbd.com/story/28388433/water-tank-explodes-at-minsa-in-muleshoe-3-injured>

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## **Water and Wastewater Systems Sector**

12. *March 12, WNEP 12 Scranton* – (Pennsylvania) **Water main fixed, boil advisory in effect.** Mahanoy City was placed under a boil water advisory until further notice March 12 after crews repaired a break in an 8-inch water main at the intersection of East Pine and South Main Streets which prompted water service to be shut off to approximately 1,500 homes and businesses March 11.  
Source: <http://wnep.com/2015/03/12/update-water-main-fixed-boil-advisory-in-effect/>
13. *March 11, KOB 4 Albuquerque* – (New Mexico) **Portales city manager: Water restored after main break.** Water service was restored March 11 to the town of Portales, New Mexico, after a 24-hour outage due to a water main break caused by a contractor who hit the water line March 10.  
Source: <http://www.kob.com/article/stories/s3731287.shtml>

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## **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

14. *March 11, Detroit News; Associated Press* – (Michigan; Texas; Ohio) **11 charged in Blue Cross ID theft, fraud.** Officials announced March 10 that 11 individuals from Michigan, Texas, and Ohio were charged with identify theft and credit card fraud after a Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan employee allegedly shared screenshots of 5,514 subscriber profiles with the group, who used the personal information to apply for credit cards, gift cards, and to purchase merchandise at retailers.  
Source: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/business/2015/03/10/charged-theft-blue-cross-subscriber-info/24711063/>
15. *March 11, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Hospira issues a voluntary nationwide recall of one lot of Lactated Ringer's Irrigation due to mold contamination.** Hospira, Inc., announced a voluntary recall March 11 of one lot of its Lactated Ringer's Irrigation packaged in 3000mL flexible container bags, following a customer complaint of several dark particles floating within the solution of the primary container, which was determined to be a non-toxic mold. The product is a sterile, nonpyrogenic solution of electrolytes in water for injection, intended for sterile irrigation, washing, and rinsing purposes.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm437791.htm>
16. *March 9, WFLA 8 Tampa* – (Florida) **Sarasota woman accused of posing as nurse, giving shots.** Police arrested a woman March 6 after employees at the Sarasota Arthritis Center in Florida discovered that one of the clinic's registered nurses was not

certified to be a nurse. An investigation determined that the woman did not have a license or any formal training, and had been administering medication and giving advice to patients for more than a year.

Source: <http://www.wfla.com/story/28298620/sarasota-woman-accused-of-posing-as-nurse-giving-shots>

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

17. *March 11, Elmira Star-Gazette* – (New York) **Driver, 8 students hurt in Athens school bus crash.** Eight students and the driver of a school bus were transported to an area hospital after a medical condition caused the bus driver to veer off Route 4014 in Smithfield Township March 11 and strike 2 trees.

Source: <http://www.stargazette.com/story/news/public-safety/2015/03/11/bradford-accident-milan/70139712/>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

18. *March 12, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Leak forces inmates to use portable toilets, trucked water.** Water service to the State Correctional Institution at Albion in Pennsylvania was cut off after a leak in a valve on the prison's water tower discharged over 3 million gallons March 8. Repairs began March 11 while prison officials suspended inmate visits and transfers after providing bottled drinking water and 120 portable toilets and several water trucks for bathing.

Source: <http://www.wfmj.com/story/28403341/leak-forces-inmates-to-use-portable-toilets-trucked-water>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

19. *March 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **2,400 unsafe mobile apps found in average large enterprise.** Veracode researchers found that hundreds of thousands of mobile applications installed in corporate environments across multiple industries revealed the average global enterprise contains approximately 2,400 unsafe applications in its mobile environment, including apps that expose sensitive data, perform suspicious security actions, or retrieve or share personal information about users.

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=18075>

20. *March 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **Cyber crooks take advantage of ad bidding networks to deliver ransomware.** Security researchers at FireEye discovered that malware distributors are leveraging Real Time Bidding networks that are either compromised or controlled entirely by attackers to deliver Cryptowall and other ransomware variants and gain information about victims' geographic locations,

operating systems (OS), and browsers. The malvertising campaign has been active since February 4.

Source: [http://www.net-security.org/malware\\_news.php?id=2987](http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2987)

21. *March 11, SC Magazine* – (International) **Self-deleting malware targets home routers to gather information.** Trend Micro researchers identified malware called VICEPASS that infects users' systems via a fake Adobe Flash update, connects to their home routers using a predefined list of usernames and passwords, and attempts to spread to every device on their networks before sending information to a command-and-control (C&C) server and deleting itself. The researchers believe that the malware could be a reconnaissance tool for larger campaigns.  
Source: <http://www.scmagazine.com/malware-that-connects-to-home-routers-deletes-itself-without-a-trace/article/403050/>
22. *March 11, USA Today* – (International) **Apple's iTunes, App Store reopen after long outage.** Apple restored service to its iTunes, App Store, Mac App Store, and iBooks store March 11 after an internal domain name system (DNS) error brought the services down globally for approximately 12 hours.  
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2015/03/11/apple-itunes-down/70143594/>
23. *March 11, Securityweek* – (International) **Dropbox Android SDK flaw exposes mobile users to attack: IBM.** Researchers at IBM Security discovered a flaw, dubbed DroppedIn, in the Dropbox app's Android software development kit (SDK) that could have enabled attackers to connect to mobile apps using the kit to a Dropbox account they control, and transfer sensitive information or inject malicious data into apps. Dropbox released a fix for the vulnerability that was distributed to other apps that use the same SDK.  
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/dropbox-android-sdk-flaw-exposes-mobile-users-attack-ibm>
24. *March 11, Securityweek* – (International) **Intel Security launches new critical infrastructure security platform.** Intel Security announced the Intel Security Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) platform, developed in a joint project with Wind River, designed to protect new and legacy infrastructure within electric power grids by separating security management functions of the platform from operational applications, enhancing device identity, malware, data protection, and resiliency. The company stated that CIP can be leveraged across multiple industries and uses.  
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/intel-security-launches-new-critical-infrastructure-security-platform>

### 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>

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## **Commercial Facilities Sector**

25. *March 12, Cleveland Plain Dealer*– (Ohio) **Massive early morning fire destroys Madison Country Club in Lake County.** A March 12 fire at Madison Country Club in Ohio prompted the response of an estimated 24 fire departments from 3 counties who deemed the building a total loss. Officials will begin an investigation once crews control the fire and put out hot spots.  
Source:  
[http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2015/03/massive\\_early\\_morning\\_fire\\_des.html](http://www.cleveland.com/metro/index.ssf/2015/03/massive_early_morning_fire_des.html)
26. *March 12, Chicago Tribune* – (Illinois) **No one injured in La Grange Park apartment blaze.** A March 11 fire at a 3-story apartment building in La Grange Park in Illinois caused an estimated \$150,000 in damage to several units. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.  
Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/la-grange/news/ct-dlg-fire-barnsdale-tl-0319-20150312-story.html>
27. *March 11, Associated Press* – (New York) **Precautionary evacuation after mudslide near NY apartments.** A March 11 mudslide prompted the temporary evacuation of 150 to 200 residents of a senior public housing facility in Yonkers, New York, as a precaution until experts can ensure the building is stable for residents to return.  
Source:  
<http://www.westfieldrepublican.com/page/content.detail/id/808939/Precautionary-evacuation-after-mudslide-near-NY-apartments.html?isap=1&nav=5071>

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## **Dams Sector**

28. *March 11, WSYX 6 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Report: Buckeye Lake dam at high risk failure.** An Ohio Natural Department of Natural Resources commissioned report found that there is a high chance of a dam failure at Buckeye Lake in Ohio after U.S. Army Corps of Engineers determined that the structural integrity of the dam has been significantly weakened by more than 370 homes and other structures which have sunk into the dam's embankment. The report recommended that the dam be drained permanently in order to eliminate the risk of flooding and to replace the dam in order to prevent a catastrophic failure, among other recommendations.  
Source: <http://www.abc6onyourside.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/Report->

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