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- Police arrested and charged eight individuals for stealing copper at 13 electric substations across Philadelphia. Authorities believe they are part of a larger criminal organization tied to other copper thefts. – *Associated Press; Bucks County Courier Times* (See item [2](#))
- Three major credit reporting companies reported that hackers appeared to have stolen the personal information of celebrities and government figures from their Web sites. – *Softpedia* (See item [5](#))
- A U.S. Department of Agriculture employee wrote fraudulent checks payable to the federal government totaling in \$6.2 million dollars and stole from approximately 18 government agencies, including water authorities. – *Selma Times-Journal* (See item [17](#))
- Members of two hacktivist groups discovered, and researchers confirmed, SQL Interjection vulnerabilities on the Web sites of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Office of Personnel Management. – *Softpedia* (See item [19](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *March 13, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania; West Virginia) **Coal mine on W.Va. – Pa. line evacuated due to smoke.** The Blacksville No. 2 mine on the West Virginia - Pennsylvania line was evacuated March 12 after smoke came out of one of the mine's airshafts. CONSOL Energy was working with authorities to determine the source and did not know when operations will resume.
Source: <http://www.grafwv.com/page/content.detail/id/298026/Coal-mine-on-W-Va--Pa--line-evacuated-due-to-smoke-.html?isap=1&nav=5080>
2. *March 13, Associated Press; Bucks County Courier Times* – (Pennsylvania) **8 arrested in copper thefts at Pa. power stations.** Police arrested and charged eight individuals March 12 for stealing copper at 13 electric substations across Philadelphia in 2012. Authorities believe they are part of a larger criminal organization tied to committing thefts at PECO Energy substations and incurring damages and losses of roughly \$175,000.
Source: <http://www.abc27.com/story/21629530/8-arrested-in-copper-thefts-at-pa-power-stations>
3. *March 13, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Fire burns after tug, barge hit La. gas pipeline.** A Chevron-owned pipe ignited March 12 when a tug boat pushing an oil barge holding 92,000 gallons of crude oil struck the pipe in Louisiana. The captain was the only one injured as the Coast Guard responded to the scene and waited for the fire to burn out.
Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2013/mar/13/fire-burns-after-tug-berge-hit-la-gas-pipeline/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *March 13, Associated Press* – (National) **Nissan recalls 5 models for air bag**

problem. Nissan announced the recall of an undetermined number of model year 2013 Altima, Leaf, Pathfinder, Sentra, and Infiniti JX35 vehicles due to a faulty passenger airbag sensor.

Source: <http://business.time.com/2013/03/13/nissan-recalls-5-models-for-air-bag-problem/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Banking and Finance Sector

5. *March 13, Softpedia* – (International) **Hackers stole details of officials and celebrities from credit reporting companies.** Three major credit reporting companies reported that hackers appeared to have stolen the personal information of celebrities and government figures from their Web sites. The FBI and Los Angeles Police Department are investigating.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Hackers-Stole-Details-of-Officials-and-Celebrities-from-Credit-Reporting-Companies-336687.shtml>

6. *March 12, Dow Jones Newswires* – (International) **J.P. Morgan Chase confirms denial-of-service attacks on Chase.com.** J.P. Morgan Chase announced via Twitter that its Chase Online banking service was experiencing availability issues due to a denial of service (DoS) attack.

Source: <http://www.foxbusiness.com/news/2013/03/12/jp-morgan-chase-confirms-denial-service-attacks-on-chasecom/>

7. *March 11, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (Pennsylvania) **Serial bandit strikes for 6th time.** A robber believed responsible for five previous bank robberies in Philadelphia struck a sixth bank March 11.

Source: http://articles.philly.com/2013-03-11/news/37626394_1_bank-robber-bank-jobs-republic-bank

8. *March 12, Florida Today* – (Florida) **Palm Bay man held massive credit-card scheme.** A man seen using multiple credit cards at a gas station in West Melbourne was arrested and is suspected of stealing more than \$100,000 from several victims.

Source: <http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20130312/NEWS01/130312021/Palm-Bay-man-held-massive-credit-card-scheme>

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Transportation Sector

9. *March 13, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Asphalt tanker crash closes State Route 3 in Medina.** A tanker truck crashed and spilled asphalt along State Route 3 in Medina March 13. Authorities warned that the highway could be closed for most of the day.
Source: <http://www.cantonrep.com/newsnow/x1959355223/Asphalt-tanker-crash-closes-state-Route-3-in-Medina>
10. *March 13, Detroit Free Press* – (Michigan) **600 gallons of fuel spill, closing Michigan highway ramp for most of the day.** A four-truck semi crashed March 13 as a result of icy roads and caused a 600-gallon fuel spill on a ramp from Interstate 275 to Interstate 96 near Framingham Hills. Authorities estimated the ramp would be closed for several hours.
Source:
http://www.lansingstatejournal.com/article/20130313/NEWS01/303130020/600-gallons-fuel-spill-closing-Michigan-highway-ramp-most-day?nclick_check=1
11. *March 13, Albany Times Union* – (New York) **Northway bus-car crash kills 1.** Southbound lanes of the Northway in upstate New York were closed for over 5 hours due to an accident between a Saint Michael's College school bus and a car that left four injured and one dead.
Source: <http://www.timesunion.com/local/article/Northway-bus-car-crash-kills-1-4348189.php>
12. *March 12, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **Man arrested after allegedly threatening to shoot Eddington post office after flap over package.** A man made threatening comments to post office employees in Clifton about shooting them over a package handling mishap and may face federal charges.
Source: <http://bangordailynews.com/2013/03/12/news/penobscot/man-arrested-after-allegedly-threatening-to-shoot-eddington-post-office-after-flap-over-package/?ref=polbeat>
13. *March 12, Havre de Grace Patch* – (Maryland) **Road closed, power out in Churchville after crash.** An accident closed a section of Route 136 in Maryland and is suspected to have caused 700 power outages reported within the area.
Source: <http://havredegrace.patch.com/articles/road-closed-power-out-in-churchville-after-crash-route-136-22-march-12-2013>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

14. *March 12, Food Safety News* – (Arkansas) **Chicken Polish sausage links recalled for Listeria.** Approximately 6,120 pounds of chicken Polish sausage and chicken breakfast links manufactured by Hot Springs Packing Company were recalled due to possible *Listeria monocytogenes* contamination.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/03/chicken-polish-sausage-and-breakfast-links-recalled-for-listeria/#.UUBIkBykrMg>

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Water Sector

15. *March 12, Ventura County Star* – (California) **Thousands of gallons of sewage spill into a Ventura park.** Camino Real Park in Ventura will be closed for 3 days after nearly 2,000 gallons of raw sewage spilled out of a manhole, passed through the grass, and into a stormwater drain. The cause of the spill, which left some 500 gallons of sewage on the park's grass, was a blocked sewer line.
Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2013/mar/12/thousands-of-gallons-of-sewage-spill-into-a-park/>
16. *March 12, Lebanon Daily News* – (Pennsylvania) **Sewer leak caused sinkhole that damaged Pa. home.** Bethlehem Township officials identified the cause of a sinkhole which damaged a home as a sewer leak. Other sewer main work was recently done to repair problems which caused other sinkholes to occur; this sinkhole was 25-30 feet wide and 10-12 feet deep.
Source: http://www.ldnews.com/state/ci_22770404/pa-woman-evacuated-over-sinkhole-now-back-home
17. *March 12, Selma Times-Journal* – (Alabama) **Man guilty of stealing \$800k from West Dallas Water Authority.** A U.S. Department of Agriculture employee wrote fraudulent checks payable to the federal government totaling in \$6.2 million dollars and stole from approximately 18 government agencies. Using fraudulent methods, the employee stole from several water authorities including nearly \$800,000 from the West Dallas Water Authority.
Source: <http://www.selmatimesjournal.com/2013/03/12/man-guilty-of-stealing-800k-from-west-dallas-water-authority/>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

18. *March 12, WLEX-TV 18 Lexington* – (Kentucky) **Several injured after truck crashes into medical building in Boyle County.** Three people suffered minor injuries when a truck drove into Ephraim McDowell Heart and Vascular Institute in Danville, Kentucky March 12.
Source: <http://www.lex18.com/news/several-injured-after-truck-crashes-into-medical-building-in-boyle-county>

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Government Facilities Sector

19. *March 13, Softpedia* – (National) **OpBlackSummer: US Government sites CBP.gov and OPM.gov reportedly hacked.** Members of two hacktivist groups have discovered SQL Interjection vulnerabilities on the Web sites of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Office of Personnel Management that were validated by two researchers who were provided details of the vulnerabilities.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/OpBlackSummer-US-Government-Sites-CPB-gov-and-OPM-gov-Reportedly-Hacked-336836.shtml>
20. *March 13, WRTV 6 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Mooreville High School will be closed Wednesday due to smoke damage.** A Mooreville student that set fire to the Mooreville High School and Paul Hadley Middle School March 12 caused enough damage to cancel classes at the high school for March 13.
Source: <http://www.theindychannel.com/news/local-news/mooresville-high-school-will-be-closed-wednesday-due-to-smoke-damage>
21. *March 13, Bellingham Herald* – (Washington) **Officials: Report of gun near school found to be false alarm.** Three schools in Olympia were put on lockdown for nearly 3 hours when detectives interviewed a man that was allegedly carrying a weapon near two schools March 12. After speaking with the man, police determined the report was false.
Source: <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/2013/03/13/2917855/it-was-an-umbrella-not-a-gun-that.html>
22. *March 12, KOAA 5 Pueblo* – (Colorado) **Juvenile accused of starting a school fire.** Officials cancelled classes at Evans International Elementary March 13 after a student started a fire in the bathroom March 12. The eight classrooms affected will not be reopened until all health risks have been cleaned up.
Source: <http://www.koaa.com/news/juvenile-accused-of-starting-a-school-fire/>
23. *March 12, Newark Star-Ledger* – (New Jersey) **3 bomb scares at Montville schools in just a week.** Officials with Montville's school district assured parents that a recent rash of bomb threats against schools around the district were minor and students were never in any danger. Authorities evacuated and thoroughly searched schools during each of the three bomb threats they received since March 4 and are investigating the incidents.
Source:
http://www.nj.com/morris/index.ssf/2013/03/3_bomb_scares_at_mount_olive_s.html
24. *March 12, KXII 12 Sherman* – (Oklahoma) **200+ acres set on fire for Army Corps prescribed burning.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers set fire to over 200 acres of land in Lake Texoma March 12 to remove dead vegetation as part of brush maintenance. The last prescribed burn for the area was done over a decade ago.
Source: <http://www.kxii.com/news/headlines/200-acres-set-on-fire-for-Army-Corps-prescribed-burning-197712781.html>
25. *March 11, Reuters* – (Washington) **Military plane crashes in Washington State, 3**

crew dead. All three members on board an EA-6B Prowler aircraft that took off from Whidbey Island Naval Air Station died after the plane crashed March 11.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/03/11/us-usa-navy-crash-idUSBRE92A0UV20130311>

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Emergency Services Sector

26. *March 12, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **3 shoeless inmates found after escaping Mo. jail.** The Missouri State Highway Patrol located three inmates that escaped March 11 from a Missouri jail in a salvage yard 5 miles from the prison. Authorities spent several hours searching for the men who were still wearing their jail attire when they were found hiding in the cab of a truck.

Source: <http://www.katv.com/story/21584218/search-on-for-3-inmates-who-escaped-missouri-jail>

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Information Technology Sector

27. *March 13, Softpedia* – (International) **National Journal hacked, used to push malware via Fiesta exploit kit.** Atlantic Media confirmed that the Web site of the National Journal was compromised and used to spread malware.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/National-Journal-Hacked-Used-to-Push-Malware-Via-Fiesta-Exploit-Kit-336706.shtml>

28. *March 12, IDG News Service* – (International) **Microsoft has access issues with Hotmail, Outlook, SkyDrive services.** Microsoft experienced issues with its Hotmail, Outlook, and SkyDrive services for several hours March 12, leaving users unable to login.

Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/031313-microsoft-has-access-issues-with-267644.html>

29. *March 12, Threatpost* – (International) **Issue with SWFUploader could lead to XSS vulnerabilities, content spoofing.** Several versions of the popular SWFUploader applet contain vulnerabilities that could allow cross-site scripting (XSS) and content spoofing and let attackers take over accounts.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/issue-swfuploader-could-lead-xss-vulnerabilities-content-spoofing-031213

30. *March 12, Help Net Security* – (International) **Microsoft releases four critical bulletins.** Microsoft's March 12 Patch Tuesday released patches for seven issues, four of which were rated "critical."

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14583>

31. *March 12, The H* – (International) **Adobe closes more critical holes in Flash Player.** Adobe released updates to Flash Player that addresses four vulnerabilities that could allow arbitrary code execution.

Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Adobe-closes-more-critical-holes-in-Flash-Player-1821723.html>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Communications Sector

32. *March 12, IDG News Service* – (National) **Google to pay \$7M for Wi-Fi eavesdropping.** Google agreed to pay \$7 million to 37 States and the District of Columbia for its inadvertent collection of personal data during updates to its navigation service via Street View cars. The recorded data will be destroyed and the equipment and software used to collect will only be used with prior consent and notice.

Source: <http://www.csoonline.com/article/730152/google-to-pay-7m-to-states-for-wi-fi-eavesdropping>

33. *March 12, Oaklawn Patch* – (Illinois) **ComEd blames rogue raccoon for Sunday's damaging power surge.** An electrical utility company blamed a March 10 electrical surge, which caused power outages to more than 1,000 customers and fried customer's electronic equipment and appliances, on a raccoon. The power surge led to traffic being closed on a road after an electrical wire fell across a major street.

Source: <http://oaklawn.patch.com/articles/comed-blames-rouge-raccoon-for-sunday-s-damaging-power-surge>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

34. *March 12, FOX 40 Sacramento* – (California) **Bomb threat evacuates Yuba County Wal-Mart.** A Wal-Mart store was evacuated for nearly 4 hours after a bomb threat was called into the store March 12.

Source: <http://fox40.com/2013/03/12/bomb-threat-evacuates-yuba-county-walmart/>

35. *March 12, Bismarck Tribune* – (North Dakota) **Fire damages frack tank insulation business, force evacuations.** A March 12 fire at a business which provides insulation

for fracture treatment tanks led to the evacuation of nearby homes and a mobile home court for several hours. The cause of the fire and its estimated damages were not reported.

Source: http://bismarcktribune.com/bakken/fire-damages-frack-tank-insulation-business/article_53877ba4-8b54-11e2-8ec1-001a4bcf887a.html

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