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Energy Sector

1. *February 4, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **Firefighters contain 'substantial' propane tank leak in South Greensburg.** A Ferrellgas facility in Westmoreland County was evacuated February 4 while HAZMAT crews and firefighters worked to stop a propane gas leak from a 30,000 pound propane tank. Train traffic was stopped and a nearby road was closed while emergency crews sprayed water to dilute the propane.
Source: <http://triblive.com/news/adminpage/5533309-74/propane-gas-leak#axzz2sGQs5Nvl>

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Financial Services Sector

2. *February 3, Sacramento Bee* – (California) **Antelope man pleads guilty to role in mortgage fraud scheme.** An Antelope, California man pleaded guilty February 3 to his part in a mortgage fraud scheme run with others working at Delta Homes and Lending Inc., who used fraudulent documentation to obtain home loans for over \$10 million of property, costing mortgage lenders at least \$4 million in losses.
Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2014/02/03/6125303/antelope-man-pleads-guilty-to.html>

3. *February 3, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (California) **Westside Gun & Bag Bandit arrested after allegedly robbing seven banks in the West Los Angeles area.** A Studio City man believed to be the suspect known as the “Westside Gun & Bag Bandit” was arrested January 27 and charged for allegedly robbing seven banks in Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Venice, and West Los Angeles.
Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/losangeles/press-releases/2014/westside-gun-bag-bandit-arrested-after-allegedly-robbing-seven-banks-in-the-west-los-angeles-area>
4. *February 3, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (National) **SEC seeks stop orders against 20 purported mining companies with misleading registration statements.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) announced February 3 that it filed stop order proceedings against 20 purported mining companies allegedly controlled by the same owner who was previously the subject of a prior SEC enforcement action. The companies allegedly included false and misleading information in their registration statements.
Source:
http://www.sec.gov/News/PressRelease/Detail/PressRelease/1370540716442#.Uu_pe_1dVKA

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Transportation Systems Sector

5. *February 4, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **HOV lanes reopen north of Pittsburgh after fiery sport-utility vehicle crash kills man.** The high-occupancy vehicle lanes of Interstate 279 north of Pittsburgh were shut down for more than 5 hours February 4 after an SUV hit a concrete wall, flipped over, and burst into flames.
Source: http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/bc8d7520d441485cbdff1bd3c05519c4/PA--HOV-Lane-Fatality/#.UvD_xfldU8p
6. *February 4, New Orleans Times-Picayune* – (Louisiana) **Train derails near Avondale Shipyard, closes Louisiana Highway 18.** All lanes in both directions of a section of Highway 18 were closed for about 11 hours at Avondale Shipyard due to a train derailment February 4. The train was removed while crews continued to clean up debris.
Source: http://www.nola.com/traffic/index.ssf/2014/02/train_derails_near_avondale_sh.html
7. *February 4, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Child, 4, dies after being pulled from Norwegian Cruise ship pool.** Two children were found in a pool on a Norwegian Cruise Line ship off the coast of North Carolina February 3. One child died while the other was airlifted to a hospital in serious condition.
Source: <http://usnews.nbcnews.com/news/2014/02/04/22563989-child-dies-after-being-pulled-from-cruise-ship-pool>
8. *February 3, Associated Press* – (Tennessee) **Small plane crashes outside YMCA in**

Nashville. Authorities believe four passengers likely died when a small plane, which flew out of Clarence E. Page Municipal Airport in Oklahoma City, crashed outside a YMCA in Nashville February 3.

Source: <http://news.msn.com/us/small-plane-crashes-outside-ymca-in-nashville>

9. *February 3, WCCO 4 Minneapolis* – (Wisconsin) **Train collides with truck in Wis., 1 killed.** A Union Pacific train collided with a septic truck north of an intersection in Hammond Township February 3 and killed the driver of the truck. Officials closed the railroad crossing and are investigating.

Source: <http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2014/02/03/train-collides-with-truck-in-wis-1-killed/>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

10. *February 4, WCHS 8 Charleston/Huntington* – (West Virginia) **Fire reported at Sandy Creek Farms in Jackson County.** A meat processing facility and retail store at Sandy Creek Farms in Ravenswood suffered heavy damage following a fire that started inside a smokehouse February 3. Three people inside the building evacuated without injury.

Source: http://www.wchstv.com/newsroom/eyewitness/140203_22923.shtml

11. *February 2, Athens News Courier* – (Alabama) **Health dept.: Beans soaked in horse trough.** The Alabama Department of Public Health released its final report on a Salmonella senftenberg outbreak that left 12 people hospitalized and about 50 people ill following an event in Athens during October 2013. The study concludes that the source of the outbreak was likely uncooked beans that were soaked in a plastic-lined horse trough covered with plywood before the event.

Source: <http://www.enewscourier.com/local/x1280771985/Health-Dept-Beans-soaked-in-horse-trough>

12. *February 2, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin) **Egg farm fire that killed 300,000 hens still smoldering days later.** Authorities are investigating a fire that broke out January 31 at the S&R Egg Farm in the Town of La Grange and destroyed a barn that housed an estimated 300,000 chickens.

Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/egg-farm-fire-that-killed-300000-hens-still-smoldering-days-later-b99196825z1-243229131.html>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

13. *February 4, Lancaster Eagle-Gazette* – (Ohio) **Amanda water tower leaks 15,000 gallons.** A water tower in the Village of Amanda leaked 15,000 gallons of water out of two holes in about 7 hours February 3. Residents were asked to conserve water for precautionary reasons.

Source:

<http://www.lancastereaglegazette.com/article/20140203/NEWS01/302030013/Amanda-water-tower-leaks-15-000-gallons>

14. *February 3, Associated Press* – (Nebraska) **Lexington plant to pay \$2.3 million for pollution.** STABL Inc., was fined \$2.3 million by a federal judge for violating the federal Clean Water Act and the Nebraska Environmental Protection Act after exceeding wastewater discharge limits repeatedly at its Lexington rendering plant between August 2006 and May 2010.
Source: http://www.theindependent.com/news/regional/lexington-plant-to-pay-million-for-pollution/article_2439e3cc-8d5c-11e3-9faf-0019bb2963f4.html
15. *February 3, GoDanRiver.com; Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Broken pipe spills coal ash in Dan River.** A stormwater pipe broke February 2 at the closed Dan Steam Station in Eden, North Carolina, and released coal ash basin water and coal ash into the Dan River. Danville emergency management staff and Duke Energy monitored the situation and the drinking water was not affected.
Source: http://www.godanriver.com/news/danville/broken-pipe-spills-coal-ash-in-dan-river/article_e8def150-8d29-11e3-96e5-0017a43b2370.html
16. *February 3, KWON 1400 AM Bartlesville* – (Oklahoma) **Barnsdall water scare.** Officials from the Barnsdall water plant announced a leak in a water line was found and repaired February 3, but water pressure would remain low through February 4.
Source: <http://bartlesvilleradio.com/pages/news/66592014/barnsdall-almost-out-of-water>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

17. *February 3, USA Today* – (National) **Recruiting fraud, kickback scandal rocks Army.** A U.S. Army official stated that programs and funding were terminated in February 2012 after more than 800 soldiers utilized them for gaming the U.S. National Guard's Recruiting Assistance Program which paid hundreds of millions in bonuses to soldiers who convinced friends to sign up during critical time periods. The soldiers are under criminal investigation.
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/02/03/army-national-guard-bogus-bonus-payments-iraq-afghanistan/5182717/>
18. *February 3, KELO 11 Sioux Falls* – (South Dakota) **Bus crash injures six Canton students.** An accident involving a school bus and a garbage truck left six students

injured February 3 on Highway 18 in Canton when the bus ran into the back of the truck.

Source: <http://www.keloland.com/newsdetail.cfm/bus-crash-injures-six-canton-students/?id=159647>

19. *February 3, Osage County News* – (Kansas) **Major snow storm threatens Kansas; governor closes state offices for Tuesday.** The governor of Kansas closed all State offices in Shawnee County February 4 as a precaution, due to a winter storm expected to drop several inches of snow in the area.
Source: <http://www.osagecountyonline.com/archives/7541>
20. *February 3, Colorado Springs Gazette* – (Colorado) **Teller County courthouse remains closed after email threat, no bombs found.** The Teller County courthouse in Cripple Creek as well as the county government and buildings in a 2-block radius were evacuated for 3 hours February 3 after the sheriff's office received a bomb threat via email. Utility crews cleared the scene after searching the building and the courthouse will reopen February 4.
Source: <http://gazette.com/update-teller-county-courthouse-remains-closed-no-bombs-found/article/1513909>

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Emergency Services Sector

21. *February 4, Associated Press* – (Michigan; Indiana) **Police: Michigan escaped prisoner captured.** A convicted killer was captured February 3 in Indiana after escaping from Ionia Correctional Facility in Michigan February 2. The inmate lost a woman he abducted and abandoned her car before reportedly stealing another vehicle and being captured by police after a brief chase.
Source: <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/police-michigan-escaped-prisoner-captured>
22. *February 4, News 13 Orlando* – (Florida) **FDLE crime lab analyst resigns amid evidence tampering investigation.** The Florida Department of Law Enforcement announced February 1 that they believe a chemist working at a Pensacola crime laboratory was tampering with evidence and switching prescription pain pills for over-the-counter medications. The chemist resigned February 3 amid allegations and an investigation.
Source:
http://www.mynews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2014/2/3/fdle_evidence_tamper.html

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Information Technology Sector

23. *February 4, The Register* – (International) **Gameover ZeuS adds nasty trick.** A researcher at Malcovery found that a new version of the Gameover ZeuS variant encrypts its .exe file and distributes it as a .enc file to avoid detection by security software. A phishing email with an attachment containing a new version of UPATRE is then used to decrypt and execute the file.
Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/02/04/gameover_zeus_adds_nasty_trick/
24. *February 4, Softpedia* – (International) **NameChanger Fake AV has over 200 names, uses social engineering kit to spread.** A researcher at Fox-IT found that the group behind the Tritax fake antivirus malware is using three variants of the NameChanger using over 200 names to disguise the malware. The fake antivirus malware has been distributed using compromised, high-profile Websites such as DailyMotion, Business Insider, and ads on Skype.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/NameChanger-Fake-AV-Has-over-200-Names-Uses-Social-Engineering-Kit-to-Spread-423566.shtml>
25. *February 4, Softpedia* – (International) **Experts identify 12 rogue Chrome extensions installed by 180,000 users.** Researchers at Barracuda Labs identified 12 extensions for Google's Chrome browser that injects ads on 44 popular Web sites, with the rogue ads designed to make money for the extensions' developers.
Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Experts-Identify-12-Rogue-Chrome-Extensions-Installed-by-180-000-Users-423645.shtml>

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26. *February 4, Winston-Salem Journal* – (North Carolina) **Man surrenders to police after 29-hour standoff.** A standoff between police and an armed man at the Travelers Inn motel in Winston-Salem ended February 5, almost 29 hours after it began and about 2 hours after he released a hostage. Several nearby businesses and the hotel remained closed after they were evacuated by authorities February 4.

Source: http://www.journalnow.com/news/local/article_699d2efe-8dae-11e3-b192-0017a43b2370.html

27. *February 4, Tiffin Advertiser-Tribune* – (Ohio) **Mall fire still under investigation.** Most stores in the Tiffin Mall reopened February 3 after a fire broke out February 2 in a back store room being used by Heidelberg University's track and field program for indoor practice. The cause of the fire was under investigation.
Source: <http://www.advertiser-tribune.com/page/content.detail/id/561350/Mall-fire-still-under-investigation.html?nav=5005>
28. *February 3, Associated Press* – (Washington) **Police say 2 dead following Vancouver workplace shooting.** A gunman fatally shot one person before killing himself at the Benjamin Moore Paint distribution center in Vancouver, Washington, February 3. A nearby elementary was locked down briefly while police secured the scene.
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/02/03/shooting-in-washington-state/5188517/>
29. *February 3, WSBT 2 Atlanta* – (Georgia) **24 units destroyed in apartment fire off Briarcliff Road.** Officials are investigating the cause of a fire that destroyed 24 apartment units at the Marquis of North Druid Hills in Dekalb County February 2.
Source: <http://www.wsbtv.com/news/news/local/dekalb-officials-grill-may-be-linked-dekalb-apartm/nc96j/>
30. *February 3, Associated Press* – (Oregon) **\$1M damage in fire at Portland church building.** Authorities believe an electrical fire near an attic may have sparked a 2-alarm fire in one building of the Apostolic Faith Church in Portland and caused \$1 million in damage.
Source: http://www.dailystorian.com/news/northwest/m-damage-in-fire-at-portland-church-building/article_f9cf0748-dfb7-5244-b366-889d93d93f28.html
31. *February 3, Knoxville Journal-Express* – (Tennessee) **Fire at Wal-Mart.** Two juveniles were arrested in connection with an arson fire at the Knoxville Walmart and attempting to start a fire at the Knoxville Farm and Home farm store, February 3. The Walmart remained closed to the public February 4, while Farm and Home was open.
Source: <http://www.journalexpress.net/breakingnews/x748030576/Fire-at-Wal-Mart>

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