

# Daily Open Source Infrastructure Report 21 October 2016

# **Top Stories**

- Two individuals were arrested October 18 in Rayville, Louisiana, after authorities discovered roughly 120 fraudulent credit and bank cards in the duo's vehicle. *Richland Beacon-News* (See item 4)
- Three Team Work Ready executives were convicted October 18 for submitting \$9.6 million in false claims under a Federal health care benefit program for medical services that were not provided. *U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas* (See item 9)
- St. Joseph Health agreed October 18 to pay \$2.14 million to settle alleged violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act after the electronic protected health information of 31,800 individuals was made publicly available on Internet search engines from 2011 2012. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (See item 10)
- T-Mobile US, Inc. agreed October 19 to pay \$48 million to resolve allegations that the carrier failed to adequately inform customers of wireless data restrictions on its unlimited plans. Wall Street Journal (See item 17)

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#### **Energy Sector**

1. October 20, KGW 8 Portland— (Oregon) Portland firm says subcontractor hit gas line in NW Portland gas blast. Two simultaneous natural gas explosions in Portland, Oregon, October 19 injured 8 people and destroyed a building at Northwest 23rd Avenue and Glisan Street after a contractor cut a gas line outside of the building. Officials closed area streets through at least October 20 while crews investigate the exact cause of the explosion.

Source: <a href="http://www.kgw.com/news/explosion-reported-near-nw-23rd-and-burnside-in-portland/338404014">http://www.kgw.com/news/explosion-reported-near-nw-23rd-and-burnside-in-portland/338404014</a>

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#### **Chemical Industry Sector**

2. October 20, Associated Press – (Ohio) West Chester Township shelter-in-place order lifted after chemical spill. Officials in West Chester Township, Ohio, lifted a shelter-in-place order October 20 after 60,000 pounds of lime spilled at Superior Environmental Solutions October 19, prompting officials to evacuate several area businesses as a precaution. Two injuries were reported and firefighters worked for several hours to vaporize the lime.

Source: <a href="http://wyso.org/post/west-chester-township-shelter-place-order-lifted-after-chemical-spill#stream/0">http://wyso.org/post/west-chester-township-shelter-place-order-lifted-after-chemical-spill#stream/0</a>

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

Nothing to report

# **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

3. October 20, USA Today – (National) Hyundai recalls Sonata because sunroof could fly off. Hyundai Motor Company issued a recall October 20 for 62,811 of its model years 2015 – 2016 Sonata sedans and Sonata hybrid vehicles sold in the U.S. due to a defective wind deflector that may become partially detached when the sunroof is opened and interfere with the moveable sunroof panel while the sunroof is being closed, thereby causing the glass sunroof panel to detach from the car and increasing the risk of an accident if the car is in motion.

Source: <a href="http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2016/10/20/hyundai-sonata-glass-sunroof-recall/92452474/">http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2016/10/20/hyundai-sonata-glass-sunroof-recall/92452474/</a>

# **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

Nothing to report

#### **Financial Services Sector**

4. October 19, Richland Beacon-News – (Arkansas; Louisiana) Rayville PD takes down fake credit card ring. Two Little Rock, Arkansas residents were arrested in Rayville, Louisiana, October 18 after authorities discovered roughly 120 credit and bank cards made out in the suspects' names, a credit card machine for activating the cards, and blank money orders worth \$500, among other illicit items in the suspects' vehicle. The suspects allegedly made fraudulent credit card transactions in Jackson, Louisiana, and Little Rock, Arkansas.

Source: <a href="http://www.richlandtoday.com/news/rayville-pd-takes-down-fake-credit-card-ring">http://www.richlandtoday.com/news/rayville-pd-takes-down-fake-credit-card-ring</a>

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#### **Transportation Systems Sector**

5. October 20, Arizona Daily Sun – (Arizona) **I-40 reopens after closure due to fatal crash.** A fatal crash forced the closure of Interstate 40 between Bellemont and Williams, Arizona, for 5 hours October 19.

Source: http://azdailysun.com/news/local/a-m-update-i--reopens-after-closure-due-to/article\_7fb8120c-96ca-527d-bbec-8e539da8f81b.html

6. October 20, WTVD 11 Durham – (North Carolina) Southbound I-95 still detoured after 3 crashes. Northbound lanes of Interstate 95 in Johnston County, North Carolina, were reopened after being closed for several hours October 19 – October 20 following 3 separate crashes, including one that ignited a chemical fire and prompted officials to evacuate nearby residences, businesses, and several schools October 19. Southbound lanes of the highway are expected to reopen by October 21. Source: http://abc11.com/news/evacuations-ordered-after-3-crashes-on-i-95-multiple-

Source: <a href="http://abc11.com/news/evacuations-ordered-after-3-crashes-on-i-95-multiple-deaths-reported/1562959/">http://abc11.com/news/evacuations-ordered-after-3-crashes-on-i-95-multiple-deaths-reported/1562959/</a>

7. October 18, WKRG 5 Mobile – (Alabama) Overturned log truck causes chaos in north Baldwin County. Highway 59 in the Little River community in north Baldwin County, Alabama, was closed for more than 5 hours October 18 after a log truck overturned and struck a utility pole, knocking out power to hundreds of nearby homes and businesses for several hours. Crews were working to repair the utility pole and no injuries were reported.

Source: http://wkrg.com/2016/10/18/overturned-log-truck-causes-chaos-in-north-baldwin-county/

8. October 18, Westfield Patch – (New Jersey) Overturned tractor trailer, diesel fuel spill closes Union County highway. Route 278 in Linden, New Jersey, was closed for several hours October 17 after a semi-truck overturned and spilled a large quantity of diesel fuel. No injuries were reported and HAZMAT crews worked to clean up the fuel spill.

Source: <a href="http://patch.com/new-jersey/westfield/overturned-tractor-trailer-diesel-fuel-spill-closes-union-county-highway">http://patch.com/new-jersey/westfield/overturned-tractor-trailer-diesel-fuel-spill-closes-union-county-highway</a>

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#### Food and Agriculture Sector

Nothing to report

#### Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

Nothing to report

#### **Healthcare and Public Health Sector**

9. October 18, U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas – (National) CEO, CFO, and VP convicted in nationwide worker's compensation fraud scheme. Three executives with Team Work Ready (TWR) were convicted October 18 after TWR submitted approximately \$9.6 million in fraudulent claims under the Federal Employees Compensation Act (FECA) health care benefit program for one-on-one physical therapy services that patients never received and were medically unnecessary in order to earn a profit. The charges also state that the executives laundered about \$700,000 from TWR's bank accounts through a transportation company's account owned by 2 of the co-conspirators in order to conceal the fraudulent earnings from authorities.

Source: <a href="https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdtx/pr/ceo-cfo-and-vp-convicted-nationwide-workers-compensation-fraud-scheme">https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdtx/pr/ceo-cfo-and-vp-convicted-nationwide-workers-compensation-fraud-scheme</a>

10. October 18, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – (California; New Mexico; Texas) \$2.14 million HIPAA settlement underscores importance of managing security risk. St. Joseph Health (SJH) agreed October 18 to pay \$2.14 million to settle alleged violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy and Security Rules after its files containing electronic protected health information (ePHI) of 31,800 individuals were made publicly available on Google and other Internet search engines from February 2011 – February 2012. As part of the settlement, SJH agreed to a corrective action plan that requires the firm to develop and implement a risk management plan, update its procedures and policies, and adequately train its employees on these policies, among other requirements.

Source: http://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2016/10/18/214-million-hipaa-settlement-underscores-importance-managing-security-risk.html

# **Government Facilities Sector**

11. October 20, Savannah Morning News – (Georgia) Fort Pulaski closed until experts assess repairs after Matthew. Fort Pulaski National Monument officials announced October 20 that Fort Pulaski in Savannah, Georgia, is closed until further notice while crews assess the damage sustained during Hurricane Matthew.

Source: http://savannahnow.com/hurricane-guide-news/2016-10-20/fort-pulaski-closed-until-experts-assess-repairs-after-matthew

- 12. October 20, Denver Post (Colorado) Junkins fire 3 percent contained, now close to 17,000 acres. Crews reached 3 percent containment October 19 of the roughly 17,000-acre Junkins Fire burning in Pueblo and Custer counties in Colorado, which has burned at least 5 homes, 13 outbuildings, and threatens about 280 additional homes. Evacuation orders remain in effect for the Eagle Springs Ranch subdivisions. Source: <a href="http://www.denverpost.com/2016/10/19/junkins-fire-remains-0-percent-contained-now-close-to-17000-acres/">http://www.denverpost.com/2016/10/19/junkins-fire-remains-0-percent-contained-now-close-to-17000-acres/</a>
- 13. October 19, Detroit Free Press (Michigan) Bomb threat leads to Hamtramck High School evacuation. Hamtramck High School in Hamtramck, Michigan, was dismissed October 19 after authorities received a bomb threat via phone. Authorities were searching the school and the threat remains under investigation.

  Source: <a href="http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/wayne/2016/10/19/bomb-threat-leads-hamtramck-high-school-evacuation/92402020/">http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/wayne/2016/10/19/bomb-threat-leads-hamtramck-high-school-evacuation/92402020/</a>
- 14. October 18, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of California (California)

  Former Stockton woman indicted with others in two fraud conspiracies. A Las Vegas resident and 2 co-conspirators were charged in indictments returned October 13 after the group allegedly defrauded the California Employment Development Department (EDD) out of more than \$2 million by creating a fictitious employer with the EDD and filing unemployment claims in the names of fake employees in order to collect the fraudulent benefits. The Las Vegas resident and another co-conspirator were also charged for allegedly submitting fraudulent tax returns to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service that sought thousands of dollars in returns from May 2011 April 2012.

Source: <a href="https://www.justice.gov/usao-edca/pr/former-stockton-woman-indicted-others-two-fraud-conspiracies">https://www.justice.gov/usao-edca/pr/former-stockton-woman-indicted-others-two-fraud-conspiracies</a>

For additional stories, see items  $\underline{\mathbf{6}}$  and  $\underline{\mathbf{17}}$ 

## **Emergency Services Sector**

Nothing to report

# **Information Technology Sector**

15. October 20, SecurityWeek – (International) Lexmark patches critical flaw in printer management tool. Lexmark International, Inc. released an update for its Markvision Enterprise printer management software after security researchers from Digital Defense Inc. (DDI) found the software was plagued with a vulnerability in the Apache Flex BlazeDS that can be exploited to read arbitrary files via specially crafted Action Message Format (AMF) messages and retrieve the file storing the admin credentials, as well as an issue that allows attackers to upload arbitrary files and execute code with elevated privileges, among other vulnerabilities. Users are advised to change the admin password after installation, as the encrypted password stored in the text file is not updated after installation.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/lexmark-patches-critical-flaw-printer-

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16. October 20, SecurityWeek – (International) Windows zero-day exploited by "FruityArmor" APT group. Security researchers from Kaspersky Lab discovered that a zero-day remote code execution vulnerability patched by Microsoft in its October 2016 security bulletin was being leveraged in attacks carried out by an advanced persistent threat (APT) group, dubbed "FruityArmor" for privilege escalation on an affected system. Researchers found that the FruityArmor APT's attack platform is built around Microsoft PowerShell and abuses Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI) for persistence in order to make it difficult to detect on a system. Source: <a href="http://www.securityweek.com/windows-zero-day-used-fruityarmor-apt-privilege-escalation">http://www.securityweek.com/windows-zero-day-used-fruityarmor-apt-privilege-escalation</a>

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#### **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

#### **Communications Sector**

17. October 19, Wall Street Journal – (National) FCC reaches \$48 million settlement with T-Mobile over unlimited plans. The Federal Communications Commission announced October 19 that it reached a \$48 million settlement with T-Mobile US, Inc. to resolve allegations that the carrier applied slower data speeds once a certain usage threshold was met without adequately informing customers of these wireless data restrictions on its unlimited plans. As part of the settlement, T-Mobile will pay \$35.5 million in consumer benefits in the form of discounts and additional data to unlimited customers of T-Mobile and MetroPCS, its prepaid brand, and provide at least \$5 million in services and equipment to schools.

Source: <a href="http://www.wsj.com/articles/fcc-reaches-48-million-settlement-with-t-mobile-over-unlimited-plans-1476891100">http://www.wsj.com/articles/fcc-reaches-48-million-settlement-with-t-mobile-over-unlimited-plans-1476891100</a>

18. October 19, SecurityWeek – (International) Skype calls expose user keystrokes:
Researchers. Researchers from the University of California Irvine (UCI) and two
Italian universities found that Microsoft Skype users typing on their laptop or desktop
during a Skype call are vulnerable to a keyboard acoustic eavesdropping attack, as the
Voice-over-IP (VoIP) software receives acoustic emanations of keystrokes during a
Skype conversation and sends them to other users participating in the VoIP call,
thereby allowing an attacker to reconstruct the user's input, including potentially
confidential information such as passwords.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/skype-calls-expose-user-keystrokes-researchers

#### **Commercial Facilities Sector**

19. October 19, U.S. Department of Labor – (Wisconsin) OSHA inspectors responding to report of workers sickened by carbon monoxide, finds dangerous asbestos exposure, other hazards at nursing home renovation. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited A&A Environmental Services Inc. for 4 willful and 9 serious health violations October 19 after an April 2016 incident where 5 employees were hospitalized due to carbon monoxide exposure while renovating a New Glarus, Wisconsin nursing home, prompting an investigation at the renovation site which revealed that A&A failed to provide a separate room for asbestos containment gear, neglected to inspect worksites for carbon monoxide exposure, and failed to provide medical assessment and fit-testing for personnel required to use respirators, among other violations. Proposed penalties total \$243,716.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\_document?p\_table=NEWS\_RELEA\_SES&p\_id=33324

For additional stories, see items  $\underline{2}$  and  $\underline{6}$ 

#### **Dams Sector**

20. October 20, Darien Times – (Connecticut) Darien to celebrate completion of Goodwives River Dam project Friday. Darien, Connecticut officials announced the town will commemorate October 21 the completion of reconstruction efforts on the Goodwives River Dam as part of a project mandated in October 2015 by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to install a fish ladder and eel run, and clear over 800 tons of sediment from Gorham's Pond, among other improvements.

Source: http://www.darientimes.com/76218/darien-to-celebrate-completion-of-goodwives-river-dam-project-friday/



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