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- According to the Associated Press, investigators were working June 27 to determine the cause of a June 24 crash of a semi-truck into an Amtrak train in Nevada that killed at least six people. (See item [17](#))
- The Associated Press reports a wildfire in New Mexico forced officials to close the Los Alamos nuclear laboratory June 27, evacuate more than 100 residents, and cut natural gas to some areas. (See item [54](#))

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Energy Sector

Current Electricity Sector Threat Alert Levels: Physical: LOW, Cyber: LOW

Scale: LOW, GUARDED, ELEVATED, HIGH, SEVERE [Source: ISAC for the Electricity Sector (ES-ISAC) - <http://www.esisac.com>]

1. *June 27, STL.today.com* – (Missouri) **More storms coming after overnight system cuts power across St. Louis.** An overnight storm June 26 into June 27 brought strong winds and rain across the St. Louis, Missouri area, knocking out electricity to thousands of residents. The storm rolled through the area between about 2 and 3 a.m., bringing treacherous winds approaching 70 mph that knocked down numerous tree limbs and power lines. Early June 27, more than 50,000 Ameren customers had no

electricity. More power outages were reported in St. Charles and Warren counties. Crews were unsure when all customers would have power restored.

Source: http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/stcharles/article_a4f11aa2-a0ac-11e0-86fc-0019bb30f31a.html

2. *June 27, Associated Press* – (Tennessee) **TVA says power grid not fragile, despite storms.** The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) continues to make repairs on its electricity distribution system following storms in May. A U.S. Congressman from Maryland said the U.S. military knows the power grid is very vulnerable but the TVA said the system is not fragile — it was storm damaged. A spokesman of the Electric Power Research Institute agreed, according to the Chattanooga Times Free Press. The spokesman said it would be almost impossible to build a transmission line that would withstand the powerful tornadoes that struck in northern Alabama and east Tennessee last month. The TVA said the storms caused nearly \$300 million in added cost to the utility and ultimately to its customers.
Source: <http://www.wrcbtv.com/Global/story.asp?S=14980580>
3. *June 27, Institute for Southern Studies* – (National) **Court orders Louisiana to take action on radiation threat from oil and gas production.** The Louisiana State Court of Appeals has ordered state regulators to begin monitoring pollution in wastewater discharged from oil and gas production activities into the Gulf of Mexico. Since 2002, oil and gas rigs operating in Louisiana waters within 3 miles of the coast have been discharging wastewater directly into the Gulf under an expired general permit from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ). The discharges contain toxic heavy metals, cancer-causing benzene and other petroleum compounds, and naturally occurring radioactive materials including radium, thorium, and uranium. The appeals court agreed there was a preponderance of evidence that the oil-production wastewater is dangerous, and that LDEQ failed to protect the public interest. It ordered the agency to take immediate action.
Source: <http://www.southernstudies.org/2011/06/court-orders-louisiana-to-take-action-on-radiation-threat-from-oil-and-gas-production.html>
4. *June 26, Associated Press* – (Montana) **Mont. mine evacuated after smoke reported.** Almost 200 workers were evacuated from the Stillwater mine near Columbus, Montana, June 24 after smoke was reported at the underground platinum mine. A spokeswoman with the Mine Safety Health Administration said all of the miners made it to the surface, and no injuries were reported. A mine rescue team reached the source of the smoke June 24 and found a broken hydraulic hose that sprayed fluid on a piece of machinery, she said. Monitors showed the air underground had cleared. The government issued a temporary mine closure order. That was expected to be lifted June 24 after federal regulators reached the scene, the spokeswoman said.
Source: <http://www.kulr8.com/news/state/124506379.html>
5. *June 24, KTXS 12 Sweetwater* – (Texas) **Wind turbines survive raging fires in Big Country.** Despite spectacular scenes of flames roaring through wind farms, the wildfires the week of June 20 in Nolan and Taylor counties in Texas have not damaged any wind turbines. Although the wildfires have roared up to and around individual

turbines, none has suffered any damage, according to the executive director of the Texas Wind Energy Clearinghouse. The turbines, in fact, are designed to withstand such fires with minimal or no damage. The 250-foot turbine towers are made of solid steel and are anchored on a firm, concrete base. Even the tips of the blades come no closer than 100 feet off the ground. The area around each turbine is generally trimmed or cleared of trees, shrubs, and debris. He said the turbines can be affected indirectly, of course, because of downed power lines and burned power poles -- but the turbines themselves are generally not at great risk.

Source: http://www.ktxs.com/big_country_news/28348434/detail.html

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Chemical Industry Sector

6. *June 27, KRIV 26 Houston* – (Texas) **Shelter in place lifted after Pasadena warehouse fire.** A large warehouse fire in Pasadena, Texas, prompted officials to issue a shelter in place for nearby residents June 26. The shelter in place order was lifted late June 26. The fire, in the 6200 block of Spencer Highway, may have released hazardous materials into the air, according to officials. There were plastics or plastic materials inside that warehouse. One firefighter was taken to Bayshore Medical Center for heat exhaustion. The last person inside the building had left around 3 p.m. June 26.
Source: <http://www.myfoxboston.com/dpp/news/local/110626-warehouse-fire-raging-in-pasadena>

7. *June 25, Wilkes-Barre Times Leader* – (Pennsylvania) **DEP targets former Duryea plant for hazardous material removal.** The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) plans to remove drums containing hundreds of gallons of hazardous chemicals from an abandoned manufacturing plant on Foote Avenue in Duryea. A DEP spokesman said that should chemicals such as sulfuric acid, potassium hydroxide, and acetone at the former T.P. Corp. plant leak and mix together, they could cause a fire or combine to form an air release that could affect neighborhood residents. There will be a public hearing on the removal of chemicals from the plant at 10 a.m. July 27 at the Duryea Borough Building, 315 Main Street, followed by an informal public meeting. The spokesman said DEP personnel inspected the former manufacturing facility February 9 after the agency received a report of vandalism at the site. They found between 100 and 150, 55-gallon drums, 50 to 100, 35-gallon drums, and about 100, 5-gallon containers of liquid and solid chemicals and paint, and no secondary means of containment. Inspectors determined prompt removal was necessary for the health and safety of residents. He said workers have secured the chemical containers for transport, but all of the chemicals must be analyzed before shipment and disposal to satisfy state and federal safety and environmental requirements.
Source:
http://www.timesleader.com/news/DEP_targets_former_Duryea_plant_for_hazardous_material_removal_06-24-2011.html

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

8. *June 26, Associated Press* – (Nebraska) **Flood berm collapses at Nebraska nuclear plant.** A berm holding the flooded Missouri River back from the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station near Blair, Nebraska collapsed June 26, but federal regulators said they were monitoring the situation and there was no danger. The station was shut down in early April for refueling, and there is no water inside the plant, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission said. The river is not expected to rise higher than the level the plant was designed to handle. The Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) has said the complex will not be reactivated until the flooding subsides. Its spokesman said the berm was not critical to protecting the plant, but noted a crew would look at whether it could be patched. The berm's collapse didn't affect the reactor shutdown cooling or the spent fuel pool cooling, but the power supply was cut after water surrounded the main electrical transformers. Emergency generators powered the plant until an off-site power supply was connected June 26, the OPPD said.
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory?id=13933903>
9. *June 26, Worcester Telegram and Gazette* – (Massachusetts) **WPI getting rid of its reactor.** After five decades, Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) in Worcester, Massachusetts has shut down its research reactor and will spend \$3 million to get rid of it. The small research reactor, built in 1959, is one of a few dozen research or test reactors in the country. It was turned off in 2007, but WPI is still in the middle of a long and costly process to decommission the reactor. Fuel from the reactor will be shipped next month to the University of Massachusetts (UMass) at Lowell, which houses an active research reactor. UMass at Lowell will store the fuel until the Department of Energy can take final possession of it.
Source: <http://www.telegram.com/article/20110626/NEWS/106269547/-1/NEWS06>
10. *June 25, Syracuse Post-Standard* – (New York) **'Unusual event' at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station.** Operators at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station in Scriba, New York declared an "unusual event" June 25 when an electrical panel for lights and water heaters caught fire. The event was declared at 7:55 a.m. and was over at 8:25 a.m. when operators confirmed the panel fire was out, a plant spokeswoman said. "It was an electrical fire in an electrical panel which powers water heaters and building lighting in the Unit 1 Turbine Building," she said. The plant continued to operate throughout the event, she said, and no one was injured.
Source:
http://www.syracuse.com/news/index.ssf/2011/06/unusual_event_at_nine_mile_poi_1.html

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

11. *June 24, Defense News* – (Maryland) **U.S. Navy JSFs resume flight ops after glitch.** Flying operations for the U.S. Navy’s Lockheed Martin F-35C Joint Strike Fighter test program resumed June 23 after a 6-day suspension to fix a software problem. The aircraft were grounded June 17 when engineers at Patuxent River Naval Air Station in Maryland discovered a “logic fault” that could have prevented the proper action of aircraft control surfaces — the flaps, rudders, and other movable elements that maneuver the plane through the air. The Navy stressed no actual fault took place on any aircraft. The software problem affected the “safety mechanism that ensures the wings are folded properly,” a Navy spokeswoman said. “It’s the mechanism that prevents the flaps from moving in flight.” The safety monitoring function for the mechanism should be turned off during flight, she said, but the software was not properly turning off the function. The problem has yet to be fully corrected, but the aircraft have resumed flying with restrictions, a statement from Naval Air Systems Command said.
Source: <http://www.defensenews.com/story.php?i=6915380&c=AME&s=SEA>

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Banking and Finance Sector

12. *June 26, Santee Patch and City News Service* – (California) **‘Hit and Run Bandit’ suspects behind bars.** A man arrested in El Cajon, California, June 24 on suspicion of stealing a bank bag from Bank of America is believed to be the “Hit and Run Bandit,” who has been knocking down female bank employees and stealing the money bags they carry. Eight similar crimes have been committed since May 19 in Santee, La Mesa, and San Diego at other Bank of America locations, an El Cajon police lieutenant said. The 27-year-old man was chased down about 4 p.m. June 24 near Fletcher Parkway and Johnson Avenue. He was arrested upon suspicion of grand theft, but could face other charges. The bank bag in the June 24 incident was returned to the bank. One of the suspected thefts occurred in San Diego June 14, when a woman in her 70s was knocked to the ground and may have suffered a broken hip, police said. According to the San Diego Union-Tribune, though, another suspect was arrested in a similar crime in El Cajon near a Wells Fargo Bank branch June 23.
Source: <http://santee.patch.com/articles/hit-and-run-bandit-suspects-behind-bars>
13. *June 25, U.S. Department of Justice* – (Texas) **Federal grand jury indicts five in \$9 million mortgage fraud scheme.** A federal grand jury returned an eight-count indictment the week of June 20 charging five individuals with various offenses related to their operation of a mortgage fraud conspiracy in the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW),

Texas area, a U.S. attorney announced. The defendants are each charged with one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud and bank fraud. From April 2005 to April 2007, the defendants allegedly ran a scheme where they located single-family residences for sale in the DFW area due to excess inventory, distressed and pre-foreclosure properties, and negotiated a sales price with the seller. They fraudulently received loan proceeds when they submitted fraudulent invoices to the title companies that falsely represented the defendants had performed various work related to the property, such as various consulting or legal services. The defendants recruited individuals to act as “straw purchasers” or “straw borrowers,” promising to pay them a bonus or commission of between \$3,500 and \$25,000 for their participation in a particular real estate transaction. The scope of the conspiracy involved about 23 fraudulent residential property loan closings, resulting in the funding of about \$8.8 million in fraudulent loans. If convicted, the conspiracy and each bank fraud counts carries a maximum statutory sentence of 30 years in prison, and a \$1 million fine. Each of the wire fraud counts, upon conviction, carries a maximum statutory sentence of 20 years in prison, and a \$250,000 fine. The money laundering count carries, upon conviction, up to 10 years in prison, and a \$250,000 fine, or twice the amount of the criminally derived property received. In addition, restitution could be ordered.

Source: http://www.ntxe-news.com/artman/publish/article_70384.shtml

14. *June 24, Bloomberg* – (National) **Deep Shah tips resulted in \$8.2 million in trades, SEC says in court claim.** Illegal tips from a former Moody’s Investors Service Inc. analyst, declared a fugitive in the insider trading case of a Galleon Group LLC co-founder, resulted in \$8.2 million in profits, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) said in court papers filed June 23. The agency also is seeking a default judgment against the suspect, claiming he had not responded to the suit filed in 2009. The complaint was served to the man in Mumbai, India, the SEC said. It claims the man passed along inside information about acquisitions involving Hilton Hotels Corp. and Kronos Inc. It is seeking \$9.9 million in disgorgement, which includes illegal cash payments to the man, profits reaped by his downstream tippees and interest. In 2009, the man was charged criminally by prosecutors in the office of a Manhattan, New York, U.S. attorney.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-06-24/deep-shah-tips-resulted-in-8-2-million-in-trades-sec-says-in-court-claim.html>

15. *June 24, Worthington Daily Globe* – (Minnesota; South Dakota; West Virginia) **Plaid Shirt Robber convicted for Luverne robbery.** A man known as the “Plaid Shirt Robber” was convicted June 23 for robbing four Minnesota banks, including Minnwest Bank on East Main Street in Luverne. The 40-year-old Missouri man was found guilty of stealing about \$4,350 from the Luverne bank April 16, 2008. Evidence presented at trial proved the man stole \$7,410 from the Washington County Bank in Maplewood, Minnesota, September 18, 2007, about \$1,196 from the TCF Bank in Fridley, Minnesota, September, 25, 2007 and \$1,400 from the U.S. Bank in Bloomington, Minnesota, January 26, 2008. He was sentenced to 20 years in prison in April 2010 after pleading guilty to robbing three banks in Charleston, West Virginia. He allegedly stole about \$50,000 from those banks, plus \$11,322 from three South Dakota banks he robbed in 2007. In November 2010, he was given a 15-year sentence for the South

Dakota crimes, but some of that time will be served concurrent with the West Virginia convictions.

Source: <http://www.dglobe.com/event/article/id/49831/>

16. *June 24, Houston Chronicle* – (Texas) **5 arrested in raid at ‘factory’ making fake credit cards.** A nondescript home in Houston, Texas, was a virtual factory that churned out hundreds of bogus credit cards before Fort Bend County Sheriff’s deputies shut down the operation and arrested five people, officials said June 24. The only thing fake about almost 1,000 credit cards seized during the June 9 raid on the home in the 15400 block of Prairie Oaks were the plastic cards themselves. The data on each magnetic strip was legitimate but stolen by hackers who scoured the Internet for credit card information. Sheriff’s officials estimate the total loss at almost \$1 million. Investigators found computers and several machines inside the home that were used to create the credit cards and encode the fraudulently obtained information onto the computer strip. All of the suspects are charged with engaging in organized criminal activity, sheriff’s officials said. The five, who are believed to be related, used the phony cards to purchase gift cards valued from \$50-\$200 at stores such as Walmart or Target. The gift cards would then be sold on the street at discounted prices. In addition to more than 900 recoded credit cards, sheriff’s deputies found about \$8,000, and flash drives and computer discs with thousands of stolen credit card numbers. The fake cards also were used to buy diesel fuel, officials said. The purchases were under \$100, so the cards would not be flagged. Deputies found two pickups fitted with extra fuel tanks, pumps and meters, and said the fuel was resold at construction sites and to trucking companies. The construction and trucking firms could face state charges for not paying taxes on the fuel, officials said.

Source: <http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/metropolitan/7626226.html>

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Transportation Sector

17. *June 27, Associated Press* – (Nevada) **Investigators piece together Nevada Amtrak crash.** Investigators struggled June 27 to piece together how a truck driver who plowed into an Amtrak train in the Nevada desert failed to notice the crossing gates and blinking lights that should have been visible a half-mile away. At least six people were killed and five people are unaccounted for after the fiery June 24 crash that gutted two rail cars, and left the semi-truck buried inside one. A Nevada Highway Patrol trooper said authorities would consider all factors as they investigated the cause of the accident, including fatigue, driver inattention, and drugs or alcohol, with toxicology and autopsy results due within days. It could take up to a year to pinpoint the cause of the crash that killed the truck driver, a conductor and four others on the train. The semi-trailer truck hit the California Zephyr at a highway crossing about 70 miles east of Reno. A National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) member said flashing lights at the crossing were set to blink 25 seconds before a train approaches. Three days after the accident, a variety of factors remained unknown, including how fast the driver was going. Two other truck drivers in the convoy and the train’s engineer watched the semitrailer skid the length of a football field before crashing into the train. The other

drivers stopped when they saw the gates come down and the warning lights go off as the California Zephyr approached, the NTSB member said. The driver of the big rig in the lead did not. The train's engineer slammed on the emergency brakes, but the train, which was going about 78 mph in an 80-mph zone, traveled a half-mile more before it finally stopped. The driver was working for John Davis Trucking Co. in Battle Mountain, Nevada. Its Web site said it was family owned and specialized in hauling ore from local mines, as well as moving gravel and sand.

Source: <http://www.kptv.com/story/14982983/investigators-piece-together-nevada-amtrak-crash>

18. *June 27, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* – (Pennsylvania) **1 dead, 17 hurt in tour bus crash on turnpike.** One person died and about a dozen passengers were injured June 27 when a tour bus plowed into the back of a tractor-trailer along the Pennsylvania Turnpike in Westmoreland County. According to a emergency management spokesman, the accident occurred about 7:20 a.m. near milepost 95, about 5 miles east of the Donegal interchange. The bus appeared to slam into the back of a slower moving tractor-trailer in the east bound lanes. The coroner's office arrived at the scene as crews continued work to free the deceased person from the bus. Excelsior Frick Hospital in Mt. Pleasant treated about a dozen bus passengers for "mostly minor injuries," the emergency management spokesman said. State police in New Stanton, the state police accident reconstruction team, Chestnut Ridge Fire Department, and other crews from Ligonier and Mt. Pleasant also responded. Traffic was stopped for a period along the eastbound lanes, but was moving around the accident scene in unobstructed lanes about 8 a.m.

Source:

http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/pittsburghtrib/news/s_744106.html?_s_icmp=NetworkHeadlines

19. *June 26, KMOX 1120 AM St. Louis* – (Missouri) **Train derails, closes streets in Shrewsbury.** The partial collapse of a railroad bridge in Shrewsbury, Missouri, caused a train derailment and forced some people from their homes during a storm June 25. It happened just after 10:30 p.m. at Lansdowne and Murdoch. One tanker car that was derailed contained a corrosive, but not combustable chemical. Firefighters evacuated five homes and closed the Phillips 66 gas station. MetroLink service was also disrupted. The cars were removed a few hours later and the evacuations were lifted, but roads underneath the bridge remain closed while a structural engineer examined the extent of the damage.

Source: <http://stlouis.cbslocal.com/2011/06/26/train-derailment-closes-streets-in-shrewsbury/>

20. *June 25, Tulsa World* – (Oklahoma) **Tulsa International runway clearance falls short of federal standard.** Tulsa International Airport's runway 18R/36L — also known as the west, or general aviation, runway — does not have runway safety areas that are in compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards, officials said. An airport consultant and airport staff are considering several alternatives to bring the west runway of the Tulsa, Oklahoma airport into compliance. They are seeking the views of airport users, tenants, neighbors, and Tulsa-area residents about potential

solutions. Several incidents involving planes crashing at the end of airport runways prompted Congress and the FAA to inspect runways. As the result of federal law and FAA mandates, U.S. commercial airports now are required to establish a 1,000-foot-long-by-500-foot-wide “Runway Safety Area” at the end of every runway.

Source:

http://www.tulsaworld.com/business/article.aspx?subjectid=45&articleid=20110625_45_E1_ULNSna47489

21. *June 24, Newport News Daily Press* – (Virginia) **Flights back on schedule at Newport News airport after partial evacuation.** The Transportation Security Administration evacuated part of the Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport in Newport News, Virginia when a “fake hand grenade” was found in a piece of luggage June 24. The area near the airline ticket counters, where bags are checked in and run through the scanners, was evacuated, said an airport spokeswoman. The evacuation occurred at about 12 p.m. Passengers were let back into the airport by 1 p.m. During the evacuation, all outbound flights were held, but inbound flights were not affected.

Source: http://articles.dailypress.com/2011-06-24/news/dp-nws-airport-evacuation-0625-20110624_1_evacuation-flights-fake-hand-grenade

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Postal and Shipping Sector

22. *June 24, Penfield Post* – (New York) **Rush man indicted on charges he bit postal inspector.** A Rush, New York man has been indicted by federal grand jury June 24 on a charge of assaulting a federal officer and inflicting bodily injury. The 52-year-old is accused of biting a U.S. Postal Inspector May 12. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, and/or a \$250,000 fine. The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office worked with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service to procure the indictment, a U.S. attorney said June 24 in a news release.

Source: <http://www.penfieldpost.com/latestnews/x2108616529/Rush-man-indicted-on-charges-he-bit-postal-inspector>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

23. *June 27, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* – (Arkansas) **Emergency crews transport more than 100 to area hospitals from Tyson plant.** A chlorine gas leak at Tyson’s Berry Street processing plant in Springdale, Arkansas, about 9 a.m. June 27 caused the evacuation of at least 300 workers. More than 100 people were taken to 5 area hospitals, officials said. Most were treated for breathing difficulties or headaches, hospital officials said. None of the injuries appeared to be life-threatening. The plant, which employs 600, was evacuated and all workers were accounted for, the plant

manager said. About 10:30 a.m. officials said the hazardous materials portion of the emergency was over, and the plant was turned back over to Tyson employees. Emergency response crews summoned ambulances from other cities to the scene. Emergency response units and hazardous material teams came from Rogers, Fayetteville, Siloam Springs, and Washington, and Madison counties to assist Springdale emergency crews. Eureka Springs emergency responders were put on stand-by. Workers were evaluated by medical personnel on site and transported to hospitals in Springdale, Rogers, Bentonville, Fayetteville, and Siloam Springs. Ozark Regional Transit buses were called to transport some of the workers. Fayetteville hazardous materials crews were called to Washington Regional Medical Center to decontaminate some of those transported there. Patients taken to Northwest Medical Center in Springdale changed out of their possibly contaminated clothing at the entrance to the emergency room.

Source: <http://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2011/jun/27/chlorine-leak-tyson-plant-hospitalizes-several/?latest>

24. *June 25, Food Safety News* – (New Jersey; International) **Listeria concerns prompt recall of Serrano ham.** Specialities Agro Alimentation of Millington, New Jersey, recalled about 5,700 pounds of imported boneless Serrano ham that may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) said June 24. The problem was discovered when FSIS microbiological testing resulted in a positive sample for *Listeria monocytogenes*. The production lots that tested positive were refused entry into the United States. FSIS then notified Spanish authorities, who conducted their own assessment of the facility in Spain where the ham was produced, and they discovered that associated products had entered the country separately. There have been no reports of illness associated with the ham. The recall is for 11-pound cases of “Noel Jamon Serrano Boneless Spanish Dry-Cured Ham” and “Bloc Noel Serrano Ham,” with production codes “11000481” or “11000119” on the shipping container and the label. In addition, each package subject to this recall states “Product of Spain” and includes the establishment number “Est. 26” (Spain) on the label. The products were produced on various dates and were shipped to retailers nationwide.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/06/listeria-concern-prompts-recall-of-serrano-ham/>

25. *June 25, Food Safety News* – (Arizona; National) **Cantaloupes sold at Sam’s Club recalled.** Eagle Produce of Scottsdale, Arizona, recalled 1,760 cartons of cantaloupes because the melons may be contaminated with *Salmonella*, Food Safety News reported June 25. The recall is the result of a routine and random test directed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and carried out by the New York Department of Agriculture. The company has ceased the production and distribution of the cantaloupes. The recalled cantaloupes were sold at Sam’s Club between June 2 and June 17. Sam’s Club has withdrawn all cantaloupes and notified members who purchased them. The brown cardboard cartons, which contain nine melons, have the Kandy logo in white with the word “Cantaloupes” in white lettering on a red background. The lot code 147 count 9 is printed on the side of the carton. Each melon bears a Kandy sticker with the words “Cantaloupe USA.”

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/06/cantaloupe-sold-at-sams-club-recalled/>

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Water Sector

26. *June 27, Water Technology Online* – (Alaska) **Clean Water Act complaint filed against Unalaska, Alaska.** The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) June 23 filed a complaint on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) against the city of Unalaska, Alaska, and the state of Alaska for long-standing and repeated Clean Water Act (CWA) violations, according to a press release. According to the complaint, from October 2004 to October 2010, the city’s waste water treatment plant reported more than 4,800 violations of pollution limits in its CWA discharge permit. These violations resulted in discharges into South Unalaska Bay of partially-treated sewage containing several pollutants including fecal coliform bacteria at levels well above legal limits, the release stated.

Source: <http://www.watertechonline.com/environmental-issues/article/clean-water-act-complaint-filed-against-unalaska-alaska>

27. *June 26, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **Drinking water still unsafe in Minot after possible contamination.** About 50,000 residents in Minot, North Dakota, continued to boil their drinking water or use bottled water June 26 after a plug failure caused a potential for contaminants to enter the water system. The water treatment plant superintendent said a plug failed June 25, causing about 200,000 gallons of unfiltered water to enter the system before the failure was discovered about 20 minutes later. The potentially contaminated water is mixed with about 1.5 million gallons of water and could contain E. coli, total coliform bacteria, and cryptosporidium. Local restaurants have been affected by the water restrictions, which include the requirement to boil water before washing dishes.

Source: <http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/324857/group/homepage/>

28. *June 25, Northescambia.com* – (Florida) **ECUA pipe dumps 2.2 million gallons of untreated sewage prompting health advisory.** An Emerald Coast Utility Authority (ECUA) pipe failure dumped 2.2 million gallons of untreated sewage into a wetland near the University of West Florida in Pensacola, Florida, June 22, prompting the Escambia County Health Department to issue a health advisory for Thompson’s Bayou. Signs of the spill from the 12-inch “force main” pipe were first noted at 9:30 a.m., according to an ECUA press release. The area was “valved-off” and tankers were then used to transport the wastewater to a life station, a 2-hour process. The ECUA said the affected area was then cleaned-up, water quality samples were taken, and state and local authorities were notified. The health department advised against water-related activities for Thompson’s Bayou at the Escambia River until further notice due to a concern about the potential for high bacteria levels.

Source: <http://www.northescambia.com/?p=59055>

29. *June 25, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Ohio wastewater plants seek mercury rule exception.** Ohio waste water treatment plants near Lake Erie are asking regulators to let them continue discharging mercury into the water at a rate above the legal limit of 1.3 parts per trillion. Up until 2010, the plants were able to use areas known as mixing zones to blend pollutants into cleaner waters to reduce the concentration to acceptable levels. But new rules force plants to meet the limit at the point of discharge. Facilities are seeking exceptions to the regulations, and identifying plans to reduce mercury levels. Environmentalists said facilities had over a decade to comply with the rules now in effect, and they worry the exceptions will undercut the intended reduction in pollutants. They noted mercury flows into the plants as waste from dental offices and other local industries contaminating fish in the water, and is dangerous to human health.
Source: [http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/ohio-news/ohio-wastewater-plants-
seek-mercury-rule-exception-1193558.html](http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/ohio-news/ohio-wastewater-plants-seek-mercury-rule-exception-1193558.html)

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

30. *June 27, Silicon Valley Mercury News* – (California) **Second patient dies after car crashes through San Jose nursing home.** A second elderly resident died June 26, a day after a 90-year-old woman plowed her car through a San Jose, California nursing home’s recreation room when she apparently mistook the gas pedal for the brake. The deadly crash — which also killed an 88-year-old resident of the Amberwood Gardens Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and injured five other people — quickly renewed a debate over elderly drivers, a painful issue that will only grow as the nation’s baby boom generation enters its senior years. On June 26, a 100-year-old woman, died from injuries suffered when the Buick rammed into the recreation room, where skid marks remain on the floor. Her caregiver had arrived shortly after the accident June 25. Two people remained hospitalized June 26, the director of the nursing home said. An assistant district attorney said June 26 that her office will work with the San Jose police accident reconstruction team to thoroughly investigate the crash.
Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/crime-courts/ci_18357550
31. *June 27, HealthLeaders Media* – (California) **CDPH data breach affects 9,000 state workers.** For the second time in just over 6 months, California Department of Public Health (CDPH) officials acknowledged a major breach of sensitive health and personal information from within their own agency, this time affecting 9,000 current and former state employees, June 24. The information “was improperly copied to a private hard drive and removed from state offices,” the director of the CDPH said. There is no indication that the information has been misused or further disclosed. The agency said the state’s security detection system noticed “unusual activity” April 5, and prompted the CDPH to investigate. The agency “discovered the unauthorized removal of information from state premises by an employee” who is currently on administrative leave until the investigation is complete, according to an agency press release sent out

June 24. The tape contained e-mail addresses, investigative reports, and background information on healthcare workers, names of health care facility residents, some medical diagnoses, and Social Security numbers of CDPH employees, facility residents, and healthcare workers dating from 2003, state officials said.

Source: <http://www.healthleadersmedia.com/content/TEC-267848/CDPH-Data-Breach-Affects-9000-State-Workers##>

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Government Facilities Sector

32. *June 26, Washington Post* – (North Carolina) **Survey seeks data on Camp Lejeune illnesses.** Hundreds of thousands of people who lived or worked at Camp Lejeune in North Carolina more than 25 years ago have been asked to complete a detailed health survey to determine what diseases may be linked to contaminated water they drank and bathed in at the largest Marine base on the East Coast, the Washington Post reported June 26. As many as 1 million people over 3 decades may have been exposed to well water that was contaminated by toxins, officials said. Some of the toxins may have been present at levels as much as 40 times higher than current safety standards. The federal Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry, a sister agency of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is sending the survey to about 300,000 people who lived or worked at the Marine base, and about 53,000 to those who lived and worked at Camp Pendleton in California, before 1986. The responses from Camp Pendleton are being used for comparison purposes, officials said. The survey is the largest ever conducted by the agency, which has been conducting research about potential health hazards at the base. Officials said they hope it will answer long-standing questions about the health effects of exposure to contaminants at Camp Lejeune.

Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/agency-surveys-tainted-water-at-marine-base/2011/06/23/AG4aRQmH_story.html

33. *June 25, WHDH 7 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **BC lab student hurt in lab explosion.** An explosion June 25 on the campus of Boston College in Newton, Massachusetts injured one student and forced an apartment building to be evacuated. Fire officials said a student was carrying out an experiment with a chemical called thionyl chloride in the basement of Merkert Chemistry Center when something went wrong. “She had to her experiment that caused a small explosion in the area she was working. She was the only one in the lab at the time,” a Boston Fire Department spokesman said. Firefighters, state police, and hazardous materials teams rushed to the lab, blocking Beacon Street. The explosion led to two decontamination centers to be set up. Officials said the student was injured but was gone before firefighters arrived. Investigators tracked her to her home in Brighton, where they immediately set up another hazardous materials response, decontaminated the student, and sent her to the hospital for treatment of apparent minor injuries. At Boston College, damage was confined to the basement lab, according to officials.

Source: <http://www1.whdh.com/news/articles/local/boston/12004673153679/mass-lab-student-hurt-in-chemical-beaker-blast>

34. *June 24, Associated Press* – (Wisconsin; Illinois) **John Miller, formerly of Milwaukee, convicted of threatening federal Judge Philip Reinhard.** A 50-year-old former Milwaukee, Wisconsin man was convicted of threatening to kidnap and murder a federal judge from Illinois, the Associated Press reported June 24. The man was accused of threatening a judge from the Northern District of Illinois February 16. The convict pleaded guilty to two charges of allegedly making threats to judges in Milwaukee and Green Bay, Wisconsin, and he was sentenced to 40 months in prison. The man was charged in 2008 with threatening his bankruptcy judge in Milwaukee for not liking the way his case was handled and threatening to bomb a Milwaukee federal building. The case was moved to Green Bay, where the man allegedly threatened that judge. A federal jury convicted the suspect June 22 in Madison, Wisconsin.
Source: <http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/article/20110624/GPG0101/110624111/Man-who-threatened-Green-Bay-federal-judge-convicted-another-threat>
35. *June 24, Renton Reporter* – (Washington) **Federal agents could get fingerprints from pipe bomb at library.** Federal officials confirmed the device found June 22 outside the library in Renton, Washington, was an improvised explosive device or a pipe bomb. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) and the Renton Police Department are investigating the incident for clues as to who constructed it and why it was left in the bushes, 50 feet from the library along the Cedar River Trail. The investigation will take some time, and it may be possible for the ATF to get fingerprints from the exploded device, a special agent from the ATF said. If convicted, the suspect faces a 10-year federal sentence.
Source: http://www.pnwlocalnews.com/south_king/ren/news/124513779.html
36. *June 24, Associated Press* – (Pennsylvania) **Ex-Pa. school worker admits online threats.** A former employee at a school district in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, admitted he posted online threats against the middle school where he worked, and a nearby airport. A Northampton County judge sentenced the 38-year-old man to time served and 5 years' probation after he pleaded guilty June 23 to a single count of making terroristic threats. The charges stemmed from posts the man made on his Facebook page in January. In the postings, authorities said the school district's former information technology worker mused about bringing a gun to work, noting he had keys to many doors. A defense attorney said the man had undiagnosed mental health issues and drug problems that led to the postings. The man apologized for the threats during the hearing June 23. The judge barred him from visiting the school district grounds.
Source: http://www.timesonline.com/news/state/ex-pa-school-worker-admits-online-threats/article_a4b02f50-a3eb-543b-b87e-87e96b73ea7c.html

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Emergency Services Sector

37. *June 27, KRIV 26 Houston* – (Texas) **State investigation completed into fatal egg farm fire.** The egg farm fire that killed a Wharton, Texas fire department captain in 2010 accidentally started in a light fixture, KRIV 26 Houston reported June 27. A report from the Texas Fire Marshal’s office revealed it was too risky to send firefighters inside the building when only property, but no people, was in danger. The 18 workers who were inside the burning egg-processing facility had already made it out safely. The state investigation makes seven findings, including that firefighting crews failed to adequately assess the scene before attacking the flames. The report accused the incident commander of failing to maintain control, and said the firefighters went into the building before a rescue team was on stand-by. As others battled the fire from outside the building, two captains took a hose inside. The report said they lost contact with the hose, their only lifeline to lead them out of the burning building.
Source: <http://www.myfoxboston.com/dpp/news/local/110626-fatal-egg-farm-fire-investigation>
38. *June 26, Lompoc Record* – (California) **SM jail begins limited hours tonight.** On June 27, the doors of the Santa Maria branch jail will close until June 30 at 8 p.m., forcing law enforcement officers in most of northern Santa Barbara, California to cite and release offenders in the interim, or spend hours transporting them to the main jail in Goleta. The new jail hours — 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights — were approved by the cash-strapped county board of supervisors June 17 as a cost-cutting alternative to shutting the 20-bed lockup on West Foster Road completely. But while the partial closure will save the county about \$1 million per year, it will cost North County law enforcement agencies time and money, and increase the safety risk for officers and the public, according to officials. The reduction in jail hours had law enforcement officials scrambling the week of June 20 to develop protocol for doing the job themselves, and determining under what circumstances someone would be arrested, or cited and let go. The police department is also reviewing ways to hold groups of prisoners at the station for short periods of time, such as those arrested in a narcotics raid or at a DUI checkpoint, and transporting them all at one time using a van.
Source: http://www.lompocrecord.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/article_4adf1bca-9faf-11e0-bc9d-001cc4c002e0.html
39. *June 26, Arizona Republic* – (Arizona) **Arizona prisons slow to fix flaws in wake of Kingman escape.** Eleven months after three convicts escaped from Arizona’s Kingman state prison and an Oklahoma couple were murdered, both the Arizona Department of Corrections and Utah-based Management & Training Corp. (MTC), which manages the prison under contract, have made sweeping changes meant to prevent another escape. Security flaws of the same types as in the Kingman escape were found across the entire Arizona prison system, according to records obtained by the Arizona Republic through Freedom of Information Act requests. But the department has made some broad changes, imposing tougher and more thorough standards for its annual reviews of all state prisons, including those run by private contractors. A department spokesman said it has improved security tests, and the corrections director now requires that any corrections employee appointed to monitor a contract prison have experience running a

prison unit.

Source: <http://tucsoncitizen.com/arizona-news/2011/06/26/arizona-prisons-slow-to-fix-flaws-in-wake-of-kingman-escape/>

40. *June 25, Homer News* – (Alaska) **Tsunami warning delayed; sirens activated after alert canceled; hundreds evacuate spit.** An unknown problem in the National Weather Service (NWS) Emergency Alert System caused warning sirens for Homer, Alaska to sound about an hour after the West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center issued a tsunami warning for the Aleutian Islands from Unimak Pass to Amchitka Pass. The warning was issued after a 7.3 earthquake hit at 7:10 p.m. June 23 about 20 miles southeast of Amukta Pass west of Dutch Harbor. By the time the sirens sounded, authorities knew Homer would not be affected by a tsunami. Homer police had received the warning through its federal emergency warning line, and then that the warning was canceled, a Homer police lieutenant said. Police officers went to the Homer Spit and low-lying areas to notify people an evacuation was not needed. The NWS alert radio issued a cancellation of the warning, but the first warning alert then went through. Police heard two siren warnings, one with an order to evacuate, and a second canceling the warning, the police lieutenant said. Police received dozens of calls after the sirens went off, and with three dispatchers on duty, police had no problems handling calls. The borough sent out reverse-911 calls to all phone numbers with a message saying the siren alert was incorrect.

Source: <http://homernews.com/stories/062411/Tsunami-warning-delayed-Siren.shtml>

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Information Technology Sector

41. *June 27, IDG News Service* – (International) **Anonymous claims LulzSec members, steps up attacks.** The decision by computer hacking group LulzSec June 25 to halt operations may be helping another online group, Anonymous, which stepped up attacks the weekend of June 25 and 26. Some members of Members of LulzSec now claim they are with Anonymous. Anonymous claimed it had released data from the Web site of the Cyberterrorism Defense Initiative, a national counter-cyberterrorism training program funded by DHS among others. It also said it found a “chest of 40 Terabytes internal data” from an undisclosed company, but was not sure how to put up all the data on the Web. LulzSec said June 25 it ended its campaign of cyberassaults on government and corporate Web sites. It did not give a specific reason for its sudden decision. Anonymous said in a message on Twitter June 26 it could confirm all LulzSec members reported aboard. A LulzSec member confirmed on Twitter that its members were now part of Anonymous. LulzSec and Anonymous came together recently to target government and related agencies in Operation Anti-Security. There is speculation that LulzSec decided to disband after the arrest in the United Kingdom of a man who is alleged to have been involved with the group.

Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9217940/Anonymous_claims_LulzSec_members_steps_up_attacks

42. *June 24, Reuters* – (International) **Hackers attack Electronic Arts Website.** Cyber hackers breached an Electronic Arts (EA) Web site and may have taken user information such as birth dates, phone numbers, and mailing addresses, the company said on its Web site June 24. EA is the latest victim in a spate of global cyber attacks waged against video game companies. No hacker group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. The video game publisher posted a set of questions and answers on its Web site addressing the attack, which hit a server for EA’s Bioware studio in Edmonton, Canada. The hacked Web site was associated with the fantasy game “Neverwinter Nights.” The company said no credit card data or Social Security numbers were taken, but other sensitive data may have been breached by hackers. Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/06/24/us-electronicarts-hackers-idUSTRE75N58J20110624>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at sos@us-cert.gov or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <https://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

43. *June 27, Tampa Bay Tribune* – (Florida) **Intermittent outages affect 500,000 Bright House customers.** More than 500,000 Bright House customers in the Tampa, Florida, area were affected by a router change that caused intermittent outages with various services, including News Channel 8 (WFLA). The outage also caused News Channel 8, and other stations, to be knocked offline for some viewers throughout the area June 27 for up to 3 hours. A Bright House cable representative said customers began experiencing intermittent problems with internet, telephone, and some channels from 2:30-3 a.m. He said the issue affected Bright House’s entire Tampa Bay division. Source: <http://www2.tbo.com/news/breaking-news/2011/jun/27/intermittent-outages-affect-500000-bright-house-cu-ar-240187/>
44. *June 24, Associated Press* – (International) **PBS Website hacked for 2nd time, some data taken.** The Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) said its Web site was hacked for at least the second time in a month. A PBS spokeswoman said one section of a Web site in the PBS’s collection of sites was defaced June 24. The affected Web site was for the program “Becoming American.” The spokeswoman said a “very small number” of administrative user names and encrypted passwords were stolen. PBS, based in Arlington, Virginia, said it has seen an increasing number of intrusion attempts

recently. At the end of May, hackers broke into the Web site and posted a phony story claiming a dead music artist was indeed alive. A group that claimed responsibility complained about a recent “Frontline” investigation on Wikileaks.

Source: <http://www.businessweek.com/ap/financialnews/D9O2GALO0.htm>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

45. *June 27, Associated Press* – (Florida) **Eight injured in hotel fire near Animal Kingdom.** Officials said June 27 eight people, including two firefighters, have been hospitalized after a fire caused the roof to collapse at a Kissimmee, Florida motel. Osceola County Fire Rescue officials said the motel’s guests were evacuated the night of June 26 when the fire began at the 430-room motel. A fire rescue spokeswoman told the Orlando Sentinel June 27 that eight people had been hospitalized, but she did not know the extent of their injuries. More than 100 firefighters worked to control the blaze at the Vacation Lodge Maingate. Early June 27, authorities closed a highway near the motel, about 1 mile from Disney’s Animal Kingdom theme park.
Source:
http://www.bostonherald.com/news/national/south/view/20110627eight_injured_in_hotel_fire_near_animal_kingdom/srvc=home&position=recent
46. *June 27, CNN* – (Alabama) **Six children hospitalized with E. coli after water park visit.** Six children, ages 1 to 7, have been hospitalized in the month of June for severe gastrointestinal illnesses after swimming in an Alabama indoor water park, a state health official said June 24. The children got sick after visiting the Opelika SportsPlex and Aquatic Center in Opelika between June 12 to June 18, said the medical officer of the Bureau of Communicable Disease at the Alabama Department of Public Health. Five of the children have been transferred from East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika to the Children’s Hospital of Alabama in Birmingham, where they were being treated with antibiotics, the official said. In a statement, the health department urged parents whose children may have visited the park to contact the health department if they suffer symptoms of nausea, vomiting, or severe diarrhea.
Source:
http://www.cnn.com/2011/HEALTH/06/24/alabama.e.coli.infections/index.html?hpt=he_c2
47. *June 26, KUSA 9 Denver* – (Colorado) **Suspicious devices found at Colorado Mills Mall ‘partially functioned’.** KUSA 9 Denver learned that investigators are looking to see if there was surveillance video of a suspect or suspects who left two explosive devices at the Colorado Mills Mall in Lakewood, Colorado. Authorities said two explosive devices found inside the Borders Bookstore June 25 had “partially functioned” after an apparent break-in June 24. According to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives: “The two small, crude devices partially functioned and caused no damage to the Colorado Mills Mall and minimal damage to a small area inside the Borders Bookstore.” The FBI was notified of the suspicious devices at 12:40 a.m. June 25. The FBI said police responded to a store alarm going off and found

someone had broken into the Borders. Officers found two suspicious devices at the scene and called the Jefferson County Bomb Squad. Although the Borders store was closed during the day, the rest of the mall remained open. No suspects were in custody and federal investigators said they had no leads.

Source: <http://www.9news.com/news/article/205011/339/Suspicious-devices-found-at-mall-partially-functioned>

48. *June 25, Associated Press* – (Delaware) **Guests evacuated after hotel fire in Newark; fire officials investigating.** Fire officials in Delaware June 25 investigated a hotel fire that led to the evacuation of guests and injured at least two firefighters. The blaze broke out June 24 at the Econo Lodge at 100 McIntosh Plaza in Newark. A Christiana Fire Company spokesman said at least eight units had smoke damage, and one had heavy fire damage. He said at least two firefighters had minor burns but did not need to be taken to the hospital.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/23202a0edc394569a77a06833bee9748/DE--Hotel-Fire/>

49. *June 25, Aurora Beacon-News* – (Illinois) **Aurora apartment fire sends 5 to hospitals.** Five people, including two firefighters, were taken to an Aurora, Illinois hospital, June 25 after a fire on the city's East Side. The fire broke out at 3:56 a.m. inside a third-floor apartment at a 96-unit complex in the 900 block of Second Avenue. The cause of the fire is under investigation. A 55-year-old woman, a resident of the apartment, suffered severe burns and was transported to Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood after receiving initial treatment at Rush Copley Medical Center. She was being treated for third-degree burns over 15 percent of her body. Two other women, ages 45 and 22 who lived in nearby apartments, were treated at Rush-Copley for smoke inhalation. Their injuries are non-life threatening. When firefighters arrived, they found heavy smoke throughout the entire third floor. They rescued three people from inside the building, and seven from third-floor windows. One firefighter suffered minor injuries when he was hit with a piece of equipment while fighting the fire, and another was treated for heat exhaustion. Both were treated at Rush Copley Medical Center and released. Damage to the 4-story apartment building was estimated at \$75,000.

Source: <http://beaconnews.suntimes.com/6172449-417/five-injured-in-aurora-apartment-fire.html>

50. *June 24, Nashville Tennessean* – (Tennessee) **Nashville Zoo warns of website breach.** The Nashville Zoo in Tennessee sent an e-mail alert out to patrons June 24 warning of a possible breach in security on the Zoo's Web site that could result in the theft of customers' credit card information. The e-mail said law enforcement officials alerted zoo officials that reports of unauthorized credit card transactions appear to be connected to the Web site. The notice was sent to the Zoo's e-mail database and posted on its Web site. Customers were warned that if they had used Nashville Zoo's Web site to purchase anything with a credit card in the past 24 months, they should review credit card statements for unauthorized charges. The zoo has shut down its Web site, and said in the e-mail that it is being rebuilt "working closely with data security experts to

ensure we are utilizing the latest developments in security measures.”

Source: <http://www.tennessean.com/article/20110624/NEWS01/110624048/Nashville-Zoo-warns-website-breach>

51. *June 24, Associated Press* – (South Dakota) **Live ammo used at Wild West show.** Authorities confirmed that a wound from real bullet shattered a woman’s fibula while she watched a mock Old West gun battle in Hill City, South Dakota, June 17. Two other tourists also were wounded when one of the participants in the show fired live ammunition instead of using blanks. The Pennington County sheriff said one member of the re-enactor group fired four live rounds during the show. He said investigators will give information to state and federal prosecutors the week of July 4 to determine whether criminal charges will be filed. More than 100 people attended the show staged by the Dakota Wild Bunch re-enactors, who perform several times a week in Hill City, a tourist town in the Black Hills. The simulated gun battles have been suspended until the investigation is complete.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/local/east/124524918.html>

52. *June 24, Logan Herald Journal* – (Iowa) **Campers evacuate High Creek Canyon due to flooding.** High waters forced the evacuation of dozens of campers in High Creek Canyon in Iowa on June 24 after reports of road damage from flooding. A Cache County sheriff’s lieutenant said deputies responded at about 1:30 a.m. to the canyon about 4 miles east of Cove where the road into the campground was being washed away. “There were several people camping in the campground above the washed out road,” he said. “Cache County Search and Rescue were called out to assist with notifying and transporting the campers with ATVs across the area where the road was washed out.” In all, 68 people were evacuated to the parking area, and left their vehicles behind. The campers were in no danger due to the wash out, but were evacuated in case the roadway became so damaged that crews would not be able to get ATVs across to bring them out.

Source: http://news.hjnews.com/news/article_036ad318-9eb2-11e0-bcdf-001cc4c002e0.html

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

53. *June 27, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Homeowners put on standby to evacuate wildfire northwest of Boulder.** About 100 firefighters battled a wildfire June 27 that broke out in a canyon northwest of Boulder, Colorado. A U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman said air tankers and helicopters were expected to resume dropping fire retardant June 27. Fire officials put 340 homeowners on standby to evacuate. No structures were immediately threatened by the fire. Meanwhile, hot, windy weather in southern Colorado caused a wildfire that has been burning since June 12 to spread. The Duckett fire grew by about 400 acres over the weekend of June 25 and 26, but it is not threatening any homes. Most the growth has been in a steep, rugged terrain in the

Sangre de Cristo Mountains. That fire is burning on 7-square miles and is 80 percent contained.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/4a2c0dc8f9f84d8582b7f27a0f70a83e/CO--Colorado-Wildfire/>

54. *June 27, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **NM wildfire grows, shuts famed Los Alamos nuke lab.** A fast-moving wildfire in New Mexico forced officials at the Los Alamos nuclear laboratory to close the site June 27 while stirring memories of a devastating blaze more than a decade ago that destroyed hundreds of homes and buildings in the area. More than 100 residents evacuated their homes as the fire swelled to 68 square miles and loomed just a mile southwest of the lab. Overnight winds from the northwest kept the blaze from moving onto lab property, though forecasts called for a change in wind patterns by midday. The lab activated its emergency operations center overnight, and cut natural gas to some areas as a precaution. Officials said all hazardous and radioactive materials were being protected. The lab was closed June 27, and Los Alamos and nearby White Rock were under voluntary evacuation orders. About 100 residents from Cochiti Mesa and Las Conchas were evacuated after the fire started June 26. In nearby Santa Fe, emergency officials were preparing to provide a shelter for evacuees. The fire raised concerns about toxic runoff and radioactive smoke, although a lab spokesman said no contaminants were released in the Cerro Grande fire. Source: <http://galvestondailynews.com/ap/9fa3bc/>
55. *June 26, Associated Press* – (Arizona; New Mexico) **Crews fully contain 1 of 3 major Arizona wildfires.** One of three major wildfires burning in Arizona was declared fully contained June 26, a second was nearly out, and a third was growing only in a rugged area with only a handful of residents. Authorities said the Horseshoe Two wildfire near Portal, was completely surrounded after burning more than 348 square miles of the Chiricahua mountains in 7 weeks. All evacuation orders have been lifted. The fire started May 8 and essentially burned the entire Chiricahua range, which is part of the Coronado National Forest. The fire destroyed 9 homes, and 14 other buildings. A second fire near Sierra Vista was 85 percent contained June 26, and officials said the fire was showing little activity. The Monument fire has burned nearly 47 square miles and destroyed 57 homes, a 5-unit apartment building, and 5 businesses. The 30,000-acre fire began June 12 and is believed to be human-caused. Meanwhile, the largest forest fire in Arizona history continued to slowly spread though parts of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, although it was nearly 80 percent contained June 26. The 841-square-mile Wallow fire was 77 percent contained and growing slowing along its southeast perimeter. There are still more than 2,300 firefighters working the fire, which has burned 538,043 acres. About 15,400 acres of the burned area is in New Mexico. The fire, which broke out May 29, destroyed 32 homes and 4 rental cabins. It is believed to have been caused by a campfire, and authorities have identified two people who may be responsible. Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2011/06/26/crews-fully-contain-1-3-major-arizona-wildfires/>

56. *June 26, WWAY 3 Wilmington* – (North Carolina) **Pender County wildfires continue to burn, force residents to evacuate.** A significant wildfire moved into Pender County, North Carolina, WWAY 3 Wilmington reported June 26. The Blueberry Farm Fire rekindled and broke containment lines causing evacuations. The fire is substantially smaller than the Juniper Road fire, but is also much closer to homes. Evacuations were put in place June 25 in Ivanhoe on Lizzie Henry Road because of the Blueberry Farm Fire that ran from Sampson County into Pender County. Fire officials said a 90-acre wildfire broke containment lines and grew to nearly 700 acres. There are resources coming in from eight different states to help the North Carolina Forest Service contain the fire. The fire in the Holly Shelter Gameland reached over 21,000-acres, but according to officials, it has not moved too much in the last few days. The fire is currently 20 percent contained. These separate fires along with others across the state have led the governor to declare a state of emergency in eastern North Carolina. Source: <http://www.wwaytv3.com/2011/06/26/pender-county-wildfires-continue-to-burn-force-residents-to-evacuate>
57. *June 24, Reuters* – (Oregon) **Six indicted in Oregon bust of record marijuana farm.** Six men were indicted on federal drug charges June 24 in connection with more than 90,000 marijuana plants stumbled on by bear hunters in a remote patch of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, which local authorities described as the largest cannabis farm ever found in Oregon. The mile-long stretch of marijuana plants being cultivated on national forest land carried an estimated street value of \$136 million, a state police lieutenant said. The 2-page indictment charges all 6 men, who were arrested June 15, with 1 count each of conspiracy to manufacture more than 1,000 marijuana plants and 1 count of depredation of government property. Investigators also confiscated three firearms from the pot farm, which included tents and camping gear, food, water, and other supplies, enough to sustain the growers for several weeks, state police said. The Wallowa County Sheriff told the Oregonian newspaper the six men were all Mexican nationals. Each faces up to life in prison if convicted on the drug charges alone. The marijuana “grow” stretched in clusters along a ravine in the forest that was terraced and fitted with an irrigation system. It took authorities 2 days to eradicate all 91,000 plants. Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/06/25/us-oregon-potfarm-idUSTRE75O08S20110625>

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Dams Sector

58. *June 27, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **Souris River continues slow fall in Minot; Guard focusing on dike work in towns downstream.** A National Guard spokesman said June 27 there are “definite signs” Souris River flood waters are slowing receding in Minot, North Dakota. The National Weather Service forecast called for the river to drop about half a foot June 27 after the river crested June 26, inundating about 4,000 homes. Officials said focus is shifting to communities downstream such as Velva and Sawyer, North Dakota, where the situation is “much more precarious.”

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/f0617f86c232486f8f400d611e83f151/ND--North-Dakota-Flooding-River-Recedes/>

59. *June 27, St. Joseph News-Press* – (Missouri) **Rain adds to flood woes.** The National Weather Service reported between St. Joseph and Amity, Missouri, 1.5 inches to 6.5 inches of rain fell June 26, creating conditions for flash flooding. Buchanan County Emergency Management and the sheriff’s department began voluntary evacuation June 27 for Winthrop and Lewis and Clark Village. “The levee district at Sugar Lake is dealing with significant over topping but there is no breach,” said Buchanan County Eastern District Commissioner at 7 a.m. June 27, however, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers anticipates the levee will fail as the Missouri River rises. The towns of Rosendale and Agency are expected to have flooding starting June 27. Kansas City Power & Light reported that about 5,000 customers were without power during the June 26 storms. Missouri Route T between Amazonia and the Nodaway community has been closed from Andrew County Road 399 and 401. Further north, the agricultural levees in Holt County are gone; the Corps is working with federal levee sponsors to ensure they continue to be maintained. The Missouri River was at 27.32 feet June 27, and was expected to hit 28 feet June 29.

Source: <http://www.newspressnow.com/news/28367784/detail.html>

60. *June 26, KFVS 12 Cape Girardeau* – (Illinois) **Waltonville roads closed, levee breached.** An Illinois Department of Transportation Engineer for District 9 reported a hole 8 feet in diameter in the Waltonville Lake Dam in Waltonville, Illinois, June 26. Heavy rains closed parts of Highway 148 and caused the levee breach, forcing crews to drain the water out of the lake at 3 p.m. June 26. The lake sits on the south side of town, and is not a direct threat to most residents.

Source: <http://www.kfvs12.com/story/14978334/waltonville-roads-closed-due-to-flash-flooding>

61. *June 25, Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **Corps to increase outflows from western Minnesota dam.** Heavy rains prompted the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to increase the outflow at Lac Qui Parle Dam, northwest of Montevideo, Minnesota, from 4,500 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 7,000 cfs June 24. Heavy rains beginning June 20 caused inflows to exceed outflows at the dam. Discharge must be increased to keep the pool below the emergency spillway.

Source: <http://www.albertleatribune.com/2011/06/25/corps-to-increase-outflows-from-western-minn-dam/>

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