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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. *July 25, KGW 8 Portland* – (Oregon) **Tanker crash closes I-84 East in Gorge.** Eastbound lanes of I-84 in the Gorge in Bridal Veil, Oregon were re-opened July 25 following a 15-hour closure caused when a tanker truck rolled over July 24 just east of Multnomah Falls. According to the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, the tanker's middle compartment with about 1,100 gallons of gasoline was leaking about a gallon a minute on to the busy freeway. The tanker's front compartment — with 2,800

- gallons of gasoline — and rear compartment — with 1,900 gallons of diesel fuel — were intact. The driver was not injured. But he was cited for failing to maintain a lane of travel. The crash shut down I-84 eastbound overnight and caused big travel delays. Oregon State Police set up a detour around the scene, diverting drivers at Troutdale. Source: <http://www.kgw.com/home/Tanker-rolls-spills-diesel-along-I-84-in-Gorge-126094963.html>
2. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **Union Pacific probing Ill. train derailment.** Officials were trying to pinpoint what caused 14 coal-loaded rail cars to derail near the southwestern Illinois town of Fults. A Union Pacific spokesman said no injuries resulted from the accident about 12:45 p.m. July 25 that damaged two stretches of track and a bridge. The spokesman said workers looked to have the track repaired later July 25. The spokesman could not immediately say how much coal spilled during the derailment involving the train that had three locomotives, and 136 rail cars. The train was headed from Wyoming to Joppa, Illinois. Source: <http://www.ctpost.com/news/article/Union-Pacific-probing-Ill-train-derailment-1582122.php>
 3. *July 25, WHBQ 13 Memphis* – (Tennessee) **Gas tanker explodes on I-55.** Parts of I-55 in Memphis, Tennessee were closed July 24 after a gas tanker exploded. Around 9:20 p.m., a tanker truck loaded with gasoline headed northbound on I-55 near Crump hit a guardrail, which caused two tanks to explode. No injuries were reported. The accident closed northbound interstate traffic at the Horn Lake, Mallory, McLemore, and Crump exits, as well as Riverside Drive and Carolina. The cause of the crash is under investigation. Source: <http://www.myfoxmemphis.com/dpp/traffic/gas-tanker-explodes-on-i-55-mfo-20110725>
 4. *July 24, Bismarck Tribune* – (North Dakota) **Oil well explodes near Beach.** An explosion at an oil well northeast of Beach, North Dakota, July 24 put two workers in the hospital and local fire crews kept watch at the site into the night as the well site continued to burn. The explosion occurred on a Cyclone drilling rig about 30 miles northeast of Beach, near the Billings County line. The Golden Valley County emergency manager said the explosion occurred sometime near 10 a.m., caused by a gas bubble encountered in the drilling process. She said a number of workers were at the site at the time. Sentinel Butte, Beach, and Golva volunteer firefighters responded. Source: http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/oil-well-explodes-near-beach/article_5d48a352-b671-11e0-a37a-001cc4c002e0.html
 5. *July 24, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Gas tanker crash creates Route 1 inferno.** One man died and several people were injured July 23 when a tanker carrying thousands of gallons of gasoline rolled over through a median on Route 1 in Saugus, Massachusetts, and exploded in a fireball. The driver of the tanker was trapped in the cab and died at the scene. He was driving a truck for PJ Murphy Transportation of Methuen about 2:15 a.m. when he lost control of the truck, which crashed and rolled into the southbound lane of the divided highway, a state police spokesman said. Six cars crashed into the tanker, which began leaking its cargo of 11,000 gallons of fuel

onto the road. Flames shooting up from the tangle of vehicles charred a highway sign and an overpass, and burned wires off a nearby utility pole. Four motorists were taken to hospitals. Three had minor injuries, and one man sustained serious burns and underwent emergency surgery. State police are investigating. About 45 minutes after the crash, a second fireball rose from a creek near the roadway. Fuel from the crash had seeped into the storm-drain system and pooled in the creek. When it ignited, it spread burning embers across the neighborhood, setting fire to two greenhouse buildings, a house, fences, and several patches of brush, the fire chief said. M. Huberman Greenhouses lost two buildings, and countless plants.

Source: http://articles.boston.com/2011-07-24/news/29810313_1_gas-tanker-crash-flames-shooting-greenhouse

6. *July 24, Tampa Bay Tribune* – (Florida) **Pipeline leaking jet fuel temporarily fixed.** Crews have temporarily repaired a break in a large pipe that carries jet fuel between Tampa and Orlando, Florida. The pipeline ruptured July 22, spewing thousands of gallons of fuel into a nearby creek. The damaged portion of the pipeline runs along railroad tracks in Mango, near East Broadway Avenue and Williams Road. Crews managed to stop the flow of fuel from the rupture about 9 p.m. July 23, said a spokeswoman for Hillsborough County Emergency Management. On July 24, workers installed a sleeve over the damaged portion of pipe, said a spokeswoman for Kinder Morgan, the company that operates the pipeline. The broken pipe dumped about 31,000 gallons of fuel, and about 65 percent of that has been cleaned up, the spokeswoman said. The fuel was spewing into a creek called the Mango Channel. The channel eventually connects with a bypass canal that runs into Tampa Bay. Booms were being used to contain the fuel, and workers were monitoring the situation. The broken section of the pipe will eventually be replaced, but it was not known when that would happen. Source: <http://www2.tbo.com/news/pasco-news/2011/jul/24/pipeline-leaking-jet-fuel-temporarily-fixed-ar-246102/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

7. *July 25, Reuters* – (International) **Polish firm sold fertilizer to Norway bomber.** A Polish company sold chemical fertilizer to the Norwegian bomber and gunman, but the transaction was entirely legal and police have made no arrests, the Polish internal security agency said July 25. The gunman, who is a farmer, killed more than 90 people, and injured another 100 more in a July 22 bomb attack and shooting rampage that stunned Norway. “According to our experts, the materials bought in Poland were not critical for the construction of the bomb,” the deputy head of the ABW agency told a news conference. “At this stage, the information and materials we have do not indicate that the relations with the terrorist were anything other than commercial.” The ABW deputy said the owner of the company, which he did not name, was cooperating fully with authorities. He added that the firm had sold more than 100 kilograms of one substance, and several hundred grams of another. The transaction was made over the

Internet, and there was no evidence the suspect ever visited Poland, the ABW deputy said. He noted the suspect also tried unsuccessfully to buy weapons in the Czech Republic.

Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/07/25/us-norway-poland-agency-idUSTRE76O28E20110725>

8. *July 25, Dredging Today* – (New Jersey) **DuPont unveils plan for restoration of Pompton Lake Acid Brook delta area.** DuPont presented its plans for the excavation and restoration of the Pompton Lake Acid Brook Delta area in Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, to the public at two July 20 community information sessions. The proposed process includes the removal of contaminated sediment from the Acid Brook Delta (ABD) area, which borders Lakeside Park and consists of about 26 acres in Pompton Lake. DuPont's work plan was submitted to regulatory agencies in December 2010, and has since been revised. The excavation will target removal of many substances including lead, mercury, copper, selenium, and zinc that entered the delta when DuPont operated a munitions factory from 1902 to 1994. About 20 years ago, DuPont was ordered by New Jersey to clean up the site. DuPont's Corrective Measures Implementation Work Plan, as proposed to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), addresses impacted sediment and soil in the ABD area, and includes the removal of about 4,600 cubic yards from the uplands area, and 57,000 cubic yards of sediment from the delta area through excavation and dredging. From 2003 to 2009, investigations were conducted into the ABD area where the stream discharges into the lake, and metals were found in the sediments. These studies showed the metals were tightly bound to the sediment, and that concentrations decreased with distance from the stream discharge area. DuPont needs approval for 10 permits before the project can begin, including a Soil Mining Permit and Shade Tree Ordinance from the borough, as well as six from the DEP. The plan would be submitted to the EPA in September 2011 with approval anticipated by January 2012. It is expected the work will begin in early spring 2012, and depending on the method of dredging chosen, the process could take between 1 and 2 years.

Source: <http://www.dredgingtoday.com/2011/07/25/usa-dupont-unveils-plan-for-restoration-of-pompton-lake-acid-brook-delta-area/>

9. *July 23, St. Joseph Herald-Palladium* – (Michigan) **Hazardous material explodes.** No one was injured when a truck carrying hazardous waste exploded at a Sawyer, Michigan, truck stop the night of July 21, but crews cleaned the mess through July 22. The incident occurred when a driver pulled off I-94 when he realized something was wrong. The truck carrying industrial waste from Chicago to Canada started to leak after a chemical reacted with something else inside the tank or parts of the tank itself. The driver stopped at the Travelcenters of America on Sawyer Road off Exit 12, and authorities and a hazardous materials crew were called. The leak continued to get worse, and the truck exploded around 10 p.m. A state police trooper said the waste, some type of hydroxide, was not flammable. Police said crews are continuing to investigate the likelihood the material the driver picked up was mislabeled. Some of the waste got into a nearby drain, which crews were working to clean up July 22. The Berrien County sheriff said crews were checking nearby creeks, and no swimming was

allowed at Warren Dunes State Park near Sawyer July 22. He expected that ban to be lifted late July 22. I-94 was open in both directions Friday, but Sawyer Road remained closed while the clean-up continued.

Source: http://www.heraldpalladium.com/articles/2011/07/23/local_news/5771356.txt

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

10. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Vermont) **Vermont nuke plant to refuel despite uncertainty.** The owner of Vermont’s only nuclear power plant announced July 25 plans to move forward with a \$60 million refueling this fall despite uncertainty about whether it will be able to operate beyond March, when its current operating license expires. Entergy Corp., which is locked in a legal battle with the state over the future of the Vermont Yankee plant, said the company’s attorneys felt the company would eventually win its legal battle with the state. Earlier this year, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued Vermont Yankee a 20-year license extension that would allow the Vernon plant to remain open until 2032. But the state, which claims it has jurisdiction over the plant’s operation, wants the plant to close and has so far not acted on a state certification that it said is needed for Vermont Yankee to remain open. July 23 had been the deadline for ordering the fuel rods that will be used in the refueling, scheduled for October.

Source: <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/huff-wires/20110725/us-vermont-yankee/>

11. *July 24, WANE 15 Fort Wayne* – (Indiana) **Radioactive rocks found in Indy home.** Two sisters discovered “Radioactive Ore” while searching through their father’s attic July 23 in Indianapolis, Indiana. They came across a box with the words, “Uranium Thorium/Detection Corporation North Hollywood California.” According to reports, one woman opened the box and found nine plastic wrapped rocks in layers of cotton. She quickly closed the box; they evacuated the house, and called 911. Indianapolis firefighters and the hazardous materials tactical team arrived at the home to assess the material. Both women received a positive reading on their MSA radioactive meter, but the amount of radioactive material was very small. Due to the positive reading, the haz-mat team decided to take the box and pack it for disposal.

Source: <http://www.wane.com/dpp/news/indiana/radioactive-rocks-found-in-indy-home>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

12. *July 25, U.S. Department of Transportation* – (National) **NHTSA recall notice - Thomas Built buses recall.** Daimler Trucks North America is recalling 727 model year 2010 and 2011 FCCC B2 106 CH and Thomas Built SAF-T-Liner C2 school buses manufactured from February 16, 2010 through July 7, 2010 equipped with specific MBE900 EPA04 and EPA07 model engines. The intake air grid heater may

short circuit and fail due to excessive internal temperatures. A short circuited grid heater could result in a vehicle fire, and injury to vehicle occupants. Damiler Trucks will notify owners, and dealers will repair the buses free of charge. Repairs will be performed by Detroit Diesel Corporation authorized repair facilities. The safety recall is expected to begin on or about July 29, 2011.

Source: http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/recalls/results.cfm?rcl_id=11V359000&searchtype=quicksearch&summary=true&refurl=rss

13. *July 24, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* – (Pennsylvania) **Mercer County plant explosion injures worker.** About a dozen workers at the Duferco Farrell Corp. steel plant in Mercer County, Pennsylvania, were evacuated from the facility July 24 after a small explosion and fire, according to a Mercer County emergency dispatcher. A delivery driver was dropping off a load of hydrogen at the factory around 6:30 p.m. when he heard a loud popping sound. The driver suffered cuts and burns, and was taken to a local hospital. Workers inside the factory were evacuated from the plant as a precaution. The company's Web site said it specializes in manufacturing rolled steel. Source: <http://www.post-gazette.com/pg/11205/1162764-100.stm>
14. *July 23, U.S. Department of Transportation* – (National) **Kawasaki recall of certain model year 2011 Ninja motorcycles.** Kawasaki is recalling about 2,560 model year 2011 Ninja ZX-10R/ZX-10R ABS (ZX1000JBF/JBFL/KBF/KBFL) motorcycles. It is possible for a portion of the wiring harness to become pinched between the rear sub-frame and the rear fender, or between the rear sub-frame and the bolt holding the seat cover. This can damage the harness and wiring, and result in a short between wires and the frame or within wires, which could result in the engine stopping suddenly. If the motorcycle stalls while being ridden, there could be a crash resulting in injury or death. Dealers will repair the motorcycle as necessary, and reroute the main harness free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided an owner notification schedule. Source: <http://www.ewsp.com/latest-news/recalls/25607-kawasaki-recall-of-certain-model-year-2011-ninja-motorcycles.html>
15. *July 22, The Columbus Dispatch* – (Ohio) **South Side foundry settles federal odor complaint.** Columbus Steel Castings in Columbus, Ohio, agreed to plead guilty to six federal air pollution charges and to take extra steps to end years-old complaints of foul odors from the foundry. The company also will pay a \$660,000 fine, and make a "community service payment" of \$165,000, according to a plea agreement filed July 22 in a federal criminal lawsuit at the U.S. district court in Columbus. Neighbors have complained of foul odors since the plant changed ownership and emerged from bankruptcy in 2003. In 2007, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency found 19 air pollution violations, including excessive smoke and dust, pollution filters that did not work, and incomplete pollution reports. Under the terms of the agreement, Columbus Steel has 1 year to install "interlocks" and leak detectors on air pollution filters at the plant. If a filter starts to malfunction or stops working, the devices would shut down production in different parts of the foundry until repairs could be made. Source: http://www.dispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2011/07/22/South-Side-odor-settlement.html?sid=101

16. *July 22, New York Times* – (National) **N.H.T.S.A. investigates 4,400 Lotus Elises for oil-cooler leaks.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said it is investigating oil-cooler leaks on 4,400 Lotus Elise sports cars from the 2005-2006 model years after receiving complaints from owners saying a tire became coated with oil, causing handling problems. In a document filed July 22 on its Web site, the safety agency said it received 17 complaints from owners who reported an oil-cooler line ruptured and sprayed oil on the wheel assemblies and or within the engine bay. “Consumers allege the condition can create a loss of vehicle control, and one complaint alleges the vehicle caught fire,” according to the document. The agency was not aware of any injuries or fires related to the condition.
Source: <http://wheels.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/07/22/n-h-t-s-a-investigates-4400-lotus-elises-for-oil-cooler-leaks/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

17. *July 25, Global Security Newswire* – (Oregon) **Umatilla contractor fined over nerve agent monitoring.** The private contractor in charge of operating the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility in Oregon has been fined \$8,800 for not carrying out all mandatory checks for potentially dangerous materials in a filter for the plant’s heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system, the Oregon Environmental Quality Department (ODEQ) announced July 21. A system that analyzes air samples for VX and sarin nerve agents was unintentionally shut down for roughly 11 hours from October 6 to October 7, 2010, at the site’s Munitions Demilitarization Building, according to a ODEQ release. The department also slapped contractor Washington Demilitarization with a \$2,200 fine for late delivery of a report on an August 2010 inspection of the plant by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The federal public health agency delivered its report on the visit in September, after which Washington Demilitarization had 15 days to submit its own document to the state agency. The report did not arrive until November. Both incidents constituted breaches of the company’s hazardous waste storage and treatment permit with the state, according to the press release.
Source: http://gsn.nti.org/gsn/nw_20110722_7629.php
18. *July 22, Dark Reading* – (International) **New targeted attack campaign against defense contractors under way.** The U.S. defense industry is under siege by cyber spies in an attack that provides a link to a rigged spreadsheet containing a real list of high-level defense industry executives who attended a recent Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity event, Dark Reading reported July 22. A defense contractor friend of the CEO of Invincea sent him a copy of a targeted yet suspicious e-mail with the unsolicited attachment he received. It appears the attackers sent the same e-mail and malicious attachment to the other 163 event attendees, the CEO said. The embedded URL — which appears to be a subdomain of a domain that redirects to the legitimate research project Web site — provides a ZIP archive to the attendee roster, which includes the names of directors, presidents, and CEOs of major defense and intelligence companies. “Unzipped, you see an XLS-looking file, but it’s actually an executable.”

the CEO said. “It extracts another custom program that’s an HTTP client. This client beacons out to a server. You wouldn’t notice it even if you were looking at your system process table: It looks like standard browser activity.” It is not until the system is rebooted, however, that problems begin: The client reaches out to a command-and-control (C&C) server, which sends it another executable file. “That’s the payload of the weapon,” the CEO said. A team at ThreatGrid analyzed the executable, and found it is a remote C&C trojan hosted on a Web site. The trojan gives the attackers full control of the victim’s machine and Internet settings in the registry, and can update root certificate lists that could be used for SSL man-in-the-middle attacks. The researchers were unable to tell how far the attackers got or what they might have stolen. They said the attack appeared to be an ongoing, active campaign targeting multiple defense contractors with similar methods but some different documents and executables.

Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/database-security/167901020/security/attacks-breaches/231002455>

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Banking and Finance Sector

19. *July 24, Spokane Spokesman-Review* – (International) **Tamarack founder sues Credit Suisse for racketeering, fraud, conspiracy, more.** The founder and former board chairman of the failed Tamarack Resort in Tamarack, Idaho, and the founder and former manager and developer of the Yellowstone Club in Montana, have filed to intervene in a pending lawsuit against Credit Suisse, charging the Swiss bank with racketeering, fraud, conspiracy, and more, in a scheme they charge directly contributed to the financial failure of both resorts. The existing lawsuit, originally filed in January of 2010 by a group of property owners from four failed luxury resorts, charged the second-largest bank in Switzerland with engaging in a “predatory” lending scheme designed to force all four resorts into foreclosure, and acquire the pricey properties for pennies on the dollar while raking in “enormous” fees. In addition to Tamarack and the Yellowstone Club, the 2010 federal lawsuit covers two other failed luxury resorts: Lake Las Vegas in Nevada, and Ginn Sur Mer resort in the Bahamas. The scheme, according to the legal filings, involved a “new and exotic real estate loan product” that Credit Suisse developed in 2004, targeting owners of high-end real estate resort developments with the pitch they could enjoy all the future profits and equity from their developments. Appraisal values for the properties were vastly inflated using a new methodology. As a result, the Yellowstone Club was appraised at \$420 million in September 2004, but in July 2005, it was appraised at \$1.165 billion. Tamarack was appraised at \$284 million in December 2005, but 1 month later Credit Suisse said it was worth \$1.5 billion. The Swiss bank ran the huge loans through its Cayman Islands branch, which the new filings charge “consisted of a lonely PO box and no office personnel whatsoever.” The original lawsuit seeks \$8 billion in actual damages, and \$16 billion in punitive damages, including \$150 million each for the four communities impacted by the failed resort projects.

Source: <http://www.spokesman.com/blogs/boise/2011/jul/24/tamarack-founder-sues-credit-suisse-racketeering-fraud-conspiracy-more/>

20. *July 22, Port Huron Times-Herald* – (Michigan) **Former Citizens First executive charged.** A former Citizens First Savings Bank executive has been charged with hiding troubled assets from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). According to documents filed in a U.S. district court in Michigan, the man ordered that unfavorable real estate appraisals be purged from Citizens' mortgage loan files in July 2009 before they were examined by the FDIC. Hiding the roughly 100 troubled assets was meant to prevent examiners from accurately assessing the bank's stability, the U.S. district attorney's Office alleged. The former executive resigned October 2, 2009, as president of mortgage banking. The FDIC closed Citizens First, based in Port Huron, Michigan, April 30, 2010. First Michigan Bank took over the bank's deposits and assets. The federal case against the former executive was opened in June. If convicted, he faces up to 30 years in prison, and/or \$1 million in fines.

Source:

<http://www.thetimesherald.com/article/20110722/NEWS05/110722008/Former-Citizens-First-executive-charged?odyssey=mod|mostcom>

21. *July 22, Bloomberg* – (International) **China-based spies said to be behind hacking of IMF computers.** Investigators probing the recent ransacking of International Monetary Fund (IMF) computers have concluded the attack was carried out by cyber spies connected to China, according to two people close to the investigation. Computer specialists have spent several weeks piecing together information about the attack, which the IMF disclosed June 8. Evidence pointing to China includes an analysis of the attack methods, as well as the electronic trail left by hackers as they removed large quantities of documents from the IMF's computers. The multistaged attack, which used U.S.-based servers as part of their equipment, ended May 31, people involved in the investigation said. IMF officials have said little publicly about the scope of the attack or its origins, citing the on-going nature of the investigation, which involves outside forensics experts, and the fund's own information-technology team. People familiar with the incident said the hackers were able to download a large quantity of documents from dozens of computers on the IMF's network, which was first infected when an employee downloaded a file containing a piece of sophisticated spying software that quickly spread. The IMF is a cornerstone institution in the global economic system, managing financial crises around the world. Its computers are likely to contain confidential documents on the fiscal health of many countries. The financial status of countries is critical data for major nation-state investors or holders of sovereign debt. The IMF's adviser to the chief information officer said in an e-mail to IMF staff that the attack was not related to identity theft or commercial fraud, another indication the intruders were not ordinary cyber thieves.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-07-21/spies-connected-to-china-said-to-have-carried-out-hacking-of-imf-computers.html>

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Transportation Sector

22. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Official: No engine fire on Brazil-bound flight.** An American Airlines official said an initial examination of a jet that made an emergency landing at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport in Texas found no evidence an engine or its landing gear caught fire. An airline spokesman said July 25 an indicator light suggested the Boeing 777's right engine caught fire, but investigators do not believe it did. The flight bound for Sao Paulo, Brazil, returned to Dallas-Fort Worth July 24 because of engine trouble. The spokesman said investigators were trying to determine the cause. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) had reported that Flight 963's engine and landing gear caught fire. The spokesman said passengers may have mistaken the vapor trail left by fuel being dumped for smoke. He said several tires blew during the landing, but that the gear did not catch fire.
Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2011/07/24/3791734/brazil-bound-jet-makes-emergency.html>
23. *July 24, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **Amtrak to restore full service in Missouri.** Amtrak plans to restore full train service July 27 between Kansas City and St. Louis in Missouri. Amtrak announced that the Missouri River Runner will resume operating its morning westbound 311 train from St. Louis and the afternoon eastbound 316 train from Kansas City. Until that happens, chartered motor coaches will continue to be used. The disruptions started July 2, and have been the result of flooding. Freight trains unable to travel along their normal routes because of high waters had needed the tracks the passenger trains use. Amtrak said there have been no disruptions to trains 313 and 314.
Source: <http://www.ksdk.com/news/article/268438/3/Amtrak-to-restore-full-service-in-Missouri>
24. *July 23, Brownsville Herald* – (Texas) **Man walks into airport with gun.** A U.S. Border Patrol agent detained a man at gunpoint after he walked into McAllen-Miller International Airport with a loaded handgun in McAllen, Texas July 13. The suspect, age 63, initially walked into the terminal with an empty shoulder holster, McAllen police said. He approached a U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) official and asked how to get past the checkpoint, according to court documents. He also asked a U.S. Border Patrol agent stationed there about carrying a weapon on the premises. He then headed to the short-term parking lot, and authorities alerted a McAllen police officer about the suspect. The suspect returned to the terminal, this time with a .40-caliber Beretta in his holster, police said. He does not have a concealed handgun license, and the magazine held 10 rounds, according to the report. A Border Patrol agent who spotted the suspect drew his gun and handcuffed him, public records show. The suspect, who was dressed in civilian clothing, had a security guard badge on his belt, but police said he is neither a security guard nor a peace officer. A McAllen municipal judge charged him with unlawful carrying of a weapon, a Class A misdemeanor, and set bail at \$5,000.
Source: <http://www.brownsvilleherald.com/articles/airport-129123-gun-mcallen.html>
25. *July 22, Lincoln Journal-Star* – (Nebraska) **Windstream failure leaves airport passengers stranded.** A small phone outage caused big problems for some passengers at Lincoln Airport in Nebraska July 21. The airport, as well as about 2,000 other

customers in northwest Lincoln, lost phone service for several hours after lightning struck at Windstream's office at North Main Street, and West Nance Avenue. A Windstream spokesman said all phone service was restored by about 7 p.m. July 21. Internet service was not affected, he said. The airport's phones were down for about 3 hours, from 4 a.m. to a little after 7 a.m., the executive director said. That was long enough to wreak havoc for passengers on early-morning flights on the airport's two airlines, Delta and United. The executive director said the computers at the ticket counters in the terminal were simple data terminals that connect to the airlines' computer systems through the phone lines, similar to an internal company intranet system. They do not have Internet access. That meant people who hadn't already printed a boarding pass couldn't get one because the terminals were inoperable. Source: http://journalstar.com/business/local/article_5c24455d-5ac7-5f35-a131-01be659ba11a.html

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Postal and Shipping Sector

26. *July 24, Associated Press* – (Illinois) **UPS clerk pleads guilty to stealing vets' drugs.** A former parcel delivery service worker in central Illinois has pleaded guilty to stealing drugs headed to military veterans. He admitted he stole drugs including methadone, oxycodone, and fentanyl patches while working as a United Parcel Service (UPS) clerk in East Peoria, Illinois. The medications were being mailed to Department of Veterans Affairs patients. UPS and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency launched the investigation that led to the convict's arrest after several VA patients reported their medication was not arriving. The U.S. attorney's office spokeswoman said most of the stolen drugs have been recovered. The postal worker was charged with one count of felony drug possession with intent to deliver. He faces between 3 and 20 years in federal prison when he is sentenced October 27. Source: <http://www.militarytimes.com/news/2011/07/ap-ups-clerk-guitly-stealing-vet-drugs-072411/>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

27. *July 25, Associated Press* – (International) **Man who sold chemical used in pork gets suspended death penalty in China's latest food scandal.** A July 25 report said a man in China received a suspended death sentence for making and selling a chemical that makes pork leaner but is harmful to humans. Tainted pork is among a string of recent food scandals in China. The official Xinhua News Agency said a court in central Henan province sentenced the suspect to death with a 2-year reprieve for making and dealing in clenbuterol. The drug converts fat to muscle quickly in pigs, so it makes more profit for farmers. China bans the drug because the drug can cause nausea, dizziness, headaches, and heart palpitations in humans. The court jailed four other people to terms

from 9 years to a life sentence.

Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia-pacific/man-who-sold-chemical-used-in-pork-gets-suspended-death-penalty-in-chinas-latest-food-scandal/2011/07/25/gIQALq4UYI_story.html

28. *July 25, Albany Times-Union* – (New York; International) **Three charged with breaking ash tree quarantine.** Three business owners in the Hudson Valley and Vermont were charged with violating a quarantine on shipment of ash tree timber out of Greene County, New York, which is infested with a voracious Chinese beetle that devours ash trees. Violating the quarantine, imposed in 2010 after Emerald Ash Borers were found in Greene County, carries possible penalties of up to 60 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine, the state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) said. A quarantine on movement of ash wood out of Greene and Ulster counties was imposed in September to slow the spread of ash borers into adjoining counties. Eighteen counties in New York where ash borers have been found are under the quarantine. Charged for allegedly cutting ash trees off Game Farm Road, in Catskill, Greene County, as well as two other locations in the county, and shipping the logs to Rensselaer and Columbia counties, were: the vice president of Meltz Lumber Company in Hudson; the president of Forest Mayer Log & Timber Co. in Bennington, Vermont; and a man from Paul Kelly Trucking in Catskill, New York. The three men are scheduled to be arraigned August 18 in Catskill Town Court. The alleged violations happened at least eight times during February, March, and April, when quarantined wood was shipped to Rensselaer and Columbia counties, according to the DEC. The ash borer has destroyed tens of millions of trees since appearing outside of Detroit in 2002, likely arriving in shipping containers from China.
Source: <http://www.timesunion.com/local/article/Three-charged-with-breaking-ash-tree-quarantine-1583756.php>
29. *July 24, MidHudsonNews.com* – (New York) **Extreme heat results in ammonia leak.** Columbia and Greene County HazMat team members in New York were called July 23 to the scene of a noxious gas leak at Yonder Farms' cold storage facility on Route 66 in Greenport. About 20 pounds of ammonia leaked from a valve in an incident the Greenport fire chief said was caused by the extreme heat. Temperatures in the region had hit the mid- to upper-90s. While emergency crews worked to stop the leak and investigate, Route 66 was closed, and stores at Healy Corner Plaza were closed and shoppers were evacuated. The road was reopened about 4 hours later. There were no injuries.
Source: http://www.midhudsonnews.com/News/2011/July/24/Ammonia_leak-24Jul11.htm
30. *July 23, Food Safety News* – (New York; International) **New York company recalls diced bacon products.** Jetro Cash and Carry Enterprises LLC/R.D. Food Services LP of New York recalled about 2,900 pounds of Assoulti Cooked Diced Bacon products that may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced July 22. The company was informed of the problem after FSIS routine testing July 19 found a sample of cooked diced bacon imported from another company, Canadian EST No.

169A, Aliments Prince, S.E.C., was positive for *Listeria monocytogenes*. The initial product related to that sample is on hold, but the Canadian Food Inspection Agency notified FSIS that products from the same batch had been shipped to the United States. There are no reports of illnesses associated with the diced bacon. The products were shipped to Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio for further distribution to food service institutions.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/07/new-york-company-recalls-diced-bacon-products-1/>

31. *July 23, Food Safety News* – (California) **Uninspected chopped beef recalled.** Bobby Salazar’s Mexican Foods of Fowler, California, recalled about 2,560 pounds of chopped beef products produced without federal inspection, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced July 22. The recall is for Carne Asada Chopped Beef and Texture Wheat Protein in Red Hot Sauce. It was distributed in 16-pound cases containing 4-pound bags. The products were produced April 19 and May 11, and shipped to a distributor and restaurants in California. The problem was discovered by the FSIS Alameda District Office, which found the company produced the product outside of normal hours of operation when inspectors would have been present. FSIS and the company have received no reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/07/uninspected-chopped-beef-recalled/>

32. *July 22, Los Altos Town Crier* – (California) **Willy’s wall catches fire, restaurant evacuated.** A fire July 21 at Armadillo Willy’s in Los Altos, California, prompted an evacuation. A restaurant supervisor called 9-1-1 after smelling smoke believed to be from an electrical fire. At least 20 patrons and the entire staff were evacuated unharmed from Willy’s at 2 p.m. after firefighters discovered flames inside one of the walls, according to the Santa Clara County fire captain. A hot stove emitting radiant heat on the other side of the wall caused material inside it to combust, he said. Police closed off San Antonio Road for about 2 hours while fire crews ripped a 10- by-10-foot hole in the wall to extinguish the flames and secure the building. The restaurant was expected to be closed for 2 days.

Source:

http://www.losaltosonline.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=27557&Itemid=46

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Water Sector

33. *July 25, Nashville Tennessean* – (Tennessee) **Coal ash taints groundwater at TVA sites, report finds.** A new report said groundwater contamination from coal ash was found at Gallatin, and eight of the nine other Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) fossil power plant sites in Tennessee, the Nashville Tennessean reported July 25. Levels of toxic substances found at the Gallatin plant site in Sumner County and at the

Cumberland site, 50 miles northwest of Nashville, were high enough they could create a health hazard, the report said. Beryllium, cadmium, and nickel levels are above drinking water standards at Gallatin, as are arsenic, selenium, and vanadium at Cumberland. The review by TVA's Office of Inspector General also discovered the TVA found substances in groundwater at its Allen coal-fired plant in Memphis that indicated toxic metals could have been leaking from a coal ash pond there for more than a decade. The plant and its ash ponds lie above a deep, high-quality aquifer that supplies drinking water to Memphis and nearby areas. At the Allen plant in Memphis, the most likely result is discharge of the groundwater directly into the nearby Mississippi River and a lake there, officials said. The threat to the Memphis aquifer is minimal.

Source: <http://www.tennessean.com/article/20110725/NEWS11/307250034/Coal-ash-taints-groundwater-at-TVA-sites-report-finds>

34. *July 25, Environmental Protection* – (New Jersey) **Jersey City, N.J., to upgrade, repair sewer system to resolve Clean Water Act violations.** Environmental Protection reported July 25 that a settlement was reached between the United States and the Jersey City, New Jersey, Municipal Utilities Authority (JCMUA) to resolve Clean Water Act (CWA) violations by JCMUA for failing to properly operate and maintain its combined sewer system. JCMUA violations included releases of untreated sewage into the Hackensack River, Hudson River, Newark Bay, and Penhorn Creek. JCMUA will invest more than \$52 million in repairs and upgrades to infrastructure, and pay a civil penalty of \$375,000. Under the settlement, JCMUA is required to comply with its CWA permit, and will conduct evaluations to identify problems within the system that led to releases of untreated sewage. JCMUA will also complete repairs to about 25,000 feet of sewer lines over the next 8 years. And JCMUA will invest \$550,000 into a supplemental environmental project to remove privately-owned sewers from homes in several neighborhoods in Jersey City and replace them with direct sewer connections, creating better wastewater collection in those areas.

Source: <http://eponline.com/articles/2011/07/25/jersey-city-to-upgrade-and-repair-sewer-system-to-resolve-clean-water-act-violations.aspx>

35. *July 24, DNAINFO.COM* – (New York) **Riverbank state park reopens after sewage treatment plant fire.** Riverbank State Park in New York City reopened July 23 after a massive fire at the North River Wastewater Treatment plant in the Harlem section of Manhattan forced it to close July 20, when a four-alarm fire ripped through the plant. Sludge poured unabated into the Hudson River from July 20 until about 9:30 p.m. July 22 following the fire. Despite the progress in repairing the plant, raw sewage flowed for hours into the Hudson River July 23. Officials managed to get two engines that drive the plant's pumps working July 22, stopping the flow, but an electrical problem due to a manhole fire July 23 morning stopped the engines again, the department of environmental protection commissioner said. It is not clear how much sewage flowed into the Hudson July 23, but officials estimated the rate at 15-25 million gallons per day. They also diverted some of the sludge from the North River plant to the Wards Island Wastewater Treatment Plant in the East River.

Source: <http://www.dnainfo.com/20110723/harlem/sewage-flowing-into-hudson-again-after-north-river-plant-mishap>

36. *July 23, WNBC 4 New York* – (New York) **Boil water order lifted in Nassau County.** A boil-water order was lifted July 22 in seven parts of Nassau County, New York, where E. coli bacteria was found in the water. Earlier the week of July 18, residents in North Valley Stream, Elmont, Franklin Square, Garden City, Stewart Manor, Floral Park, and New Hyde Park were told to boil their water or to use bottled water after E. coli was found in the drinking water. Coliform and E. coli bacteria indicates water may be contaminated with human or animal waste.
Source: <http://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Boil-Water-Order-Lifted-in-Nassau-County-126038888.html>
37. *July 23, KRQE 13 Albuquerque* – (New Mexico) **Runoff brings ash & debris into Rio Grande.** Ash and debris were seen floating in the Rio Grande south of the Las Conchas fire in New Mexico July 23. “At this time we do not know exactly what impact it will have on it because we do not know what kind of retardants they have used to turn the fire off,” said the Middle Rio Grande conservancy district chief executive officer, adding “we do not know what the ash is coming with.” The conservancy district notified farmers who use the irrigation ditches to use the water at their own risk. The water utility authority temporarily shut off its Rio Grande diversion facility south of the Alameda Bridge July 22 to avoid bringing ash into the utility’s drinking water, and it plans to tap its groundwater supply to meet drinking water needs. Both agencies said there is not much they can do but wait for the river to run its course, flushing the ash and pollution out on its own. The authority was slated to determine July 25 whether or not to turn the diversion facility back on.
Source: <http://www.krqe.com/dpp/news/wildfires/runoff-brings-ash-&-debris-into-rio-grande>

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Government Facilities Sector

38. *July 25, Reuters* – (International) **Doubt cast on Norway gunman claim of more cells.** Norwegian police think the gunman who killed 93 people July 22 is probably a lone wolf, a view also held by some researchers who cast doubt on his claim that he was working with two other cells. The suspect, who admitted to carrying out a bomb attack and shooting spree that killed 76 people, told a court July 25 that two cells of collaborators were in his “Knights Templar” group that aimed to “save” Europe from Muslims. Earlier, he maintained he acted alone. A police attorney said he “cannot completely, and I stress completely, rule out that others were involved in what happened.” But police said privately that they think more cells are unlikely, although

security services were checking with their international partners about potential foreign links. Police were checking the suspect's phone and credit card records as well as his known movements to determine whether he was working alone. The research Director at the Center for Asymmetric Threat Studies at the Swedish National Defense College, said that, as far as he knows, nobody had evidence of the existence of the Knights Templar organization. Further undermining his claim, the suspect's manifesto published before his shooting rampage suggested authorities should be disinformed about collaborators. In the rambling manifesto, which mixes imagery of medieval crusades and Internet war games, the suspect calls himself a "Justiciar Knight Commander of Cell 8" and said he would try to "initiate contact with cell 8b and 8c." The document says that each cell commander had up to two operatives.

Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/doubt-cast-norway-gunman-claim-more-cells-191749057.html>

39. *July 25, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **Boil order lifted at Minot Air Force Base; flooding prompted order for nearly a month.** A boil order at the Minot Air Force Base in Minot, North Dakota was lifted over the weekend of July 23 and 24. Souris River flooding and problems at Minot's water treatment plant prompted the state department of health to issue a boil order in June for users of city water. The order also applied to the Minot Air Force Base, about 13 miles north of town, which gets its drinking water from Minot's municipal system. The Minot base is home to about 4,800 active duty military personnel.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/c6dec244a4f74de7ad5cb9dfb2cf9550/ND--Air-Force-Water/>

40. *July 22, Agence France-Presse* – (International) **NATO probes hackers' claim of security breach.** The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is investigating claims by the hacker group Anonymous that it plundered sensitive data from alliance computers, a NATO official said July 22. "We are aware that Anonymous has claimed to have hacked us and we have security experts investigating these claims," the official said. "We strongly condemn any leaks of classified documents, which can potentially endanger the security of NATO allies, armed forces, and citizens," the official said on condition of anonymity. Anonymous posted a message on Twitter the week of July 18 claiming to have looted about a gigabyte of NATO data that it said was too sensitive to release. Last month, the NATO said it was notified by police dealing with digital crimes that an alliance Web site was probably breached. The e-Bookshop Web site, a separate service for the public to access alliance publications, did not contain sensitive data.

Source: <http://www.defensenews.com/story.php?i=7165348&c=EUR&s=TOP>

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Emergency Services Sector

42. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **Phoenix police: Man stole ambulance outside fire.** Phoenix, Arizona, police said a man tried to steal an ambulance July 23. The vehicle was unlocked and had its keys in the ignition while it was responding to a house fire. The suspect drove the ambulance for a few blocks, striking a post, a fence, and parked cars. The man told police he had used marijuana before the incident. He was booked on suspicion of theft and criminal damage.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/wabc/story?section=news/bizarre&id=8269545>

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Information Technology Sector

43. *July 25, Computer Weekly* – (International) **SecurEnvoy tackles trojan-based cookie hack.** SecurEnvoy has developed a security technique to protect a secure Web session it claims solves the problem of hacking session cookies. According to SecureEnvoy, cybercriminals can hijack a user’s online session through cookies. The technique involves infecting a computer with a trojan, and then intercepting relevant Web-based commands — plus cookie transmissions — to prevent the Web site noting the legitimate user has terminated their online session. “By using a trojan to log the relevant GET and POST commands, as well as injecting data into an active Web session, cybercriminals can allow a legitimate user to log off their online Web service, but keep the session alive on another internet connection,” SecurEnvoy’s chief security officer said. While most two-factor authentication systems do not include protection beyond initial authentication, SecurEnvoy said it has built steps to protect the integrity of the session and its associated cookie. Even if someone tries to intercept the session cookie and other relevant data through nefarious means, the lack of authentication in combination with the fingerprinted cookie session will cause the unauthorized session to be dropped, SecurEnvoy said.
Source: <http://www.computerweekly.com/Articles/2011/07/25/247389/SecurEnvoy-tackles-trojan-based-cookie-hack.htm>
44. *July 25, H Security* – (International) **phpMyAdmin updates close critical security holes.** Versions 3.4.3.2 and 3.3.10.3 of phpMyAdmin close four security holes in the open source database administration tool. According to the phpMyAdmin developers, the security releases address two “critical” vulnerabilities that could lead to possible session manipulation in swekey authentication or remote code execution. A “serious” bug that could allow an attacker to perform a local file inclusion and a “minor” cross-site scripting (XSS) hole have also been fixed. Versions 3.4.3.1 and earlier are affected. The 2.11.x branch, which reached its end of life earlier in July, is not affected by the session manipulation hole, but may be affected by the others.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/phpMyAdmin-updates-close-critical-security-holes-1285281.html>
45. *July 23, Help Net Security* – (International) **Oslo bombing Facebook scams infecting 1 user per second.** Websense has found an alarming number of Facebook scams taking

advantage of the recent attacks in Oslo, Norway. As of July 23, one scam appears to be infecting one user every second. The scam is a form of “clickjacking” that replicates itself on users’ walls after they click on fake posts within their news feed. Users should be cautious when clicking on breaking news trends and stories within search results related to the Oslo attacks. Searching for breaking trends and current news represented a higher risk (22.4 percent) than searching for objectionable content (21.8 percent). Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=11328>

46. *July 22, Help Net Security* – (International) **Chameleon-like fake AV delivered via clever social engineering.** A complex and efficient fake AV spreading campaign has been spotted targeting Facebook users. It starts with users apparently contacted by a Facebook friend via the social network’s chat feature. The message contains a link to a YouTube video. The user follows the link and sees they can’t watch the video until they follow a download link to upgrade Adobe Flash Player. The file the user actually downloads is Trojan(dot).FakeAV(dot)LVT. “It copies itself as %windir%\services32.exe and as %windir%\update.X\svchost.exe, where update is a hidden directory and X is the version of the malware,” a BitDefender researcher said. “After that, it adds a registry key in %SYSTEM% and the malicious code is added thus to the list of authorized applications for the firewall or it disables the firewall altogether. Then it proceeds to disable all notifications generated by the firewall, the update module and whatever antivirus it finds” The malware has the ability to detect which legitimate AV solution the user has installed on the computer, and to display personalized warning message windows that mimic the ones the legitimate solution would present. The malware “finds” a virus on the system and asks the user to reboot the computer so it can clean it up. The reboot triggers an unwelcome series of events: the system boots in safe mode, which allows the malware to start and uninstall the legitimate AV solution, and then the system is rebooted once again — this time in normal mode. The now unprotected system is ready to be misused by a downloader component integrated in the trojan, which downloads further malware from an array of URLs, depending on the OS running on the computer. Source: http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=1780
47. *July 22, threatpost* – (International) **Apple laptop batteries can be bricked, firmware hacked.** A security researcher has discovered a method that enables him to completely disable the batteries on Apple laptops, making them permanently unusable, and perform a number of other unintended actions. The method, which involves accessing and sending instructions to the chip housed on smart batteries could also be used for more malicious purposes. The basis of research is the battery used in most Apple laptops. The battery has a chip on it that contains instructions for how it is meant to behave and interact with the operating system, and other components. Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/apple-laptop-batteries-can-be-bricked-firmware-hacked-072211
48. *July 22, H Security* – (International) **iCal messages crash Lotus Domino server.** IBM is warning users of a vulnerability in its Lotus Domino product that could be exploited to crash the server. According to the company, an attacker could send a specially crafted iCal message to a Domino server, causing the Router task to utilize 100 percent

of the CPU. When the message is opened in the Notes client, both the client and server will crash. The server will restart, exhaust resources and crash again, repeatedly. The flaw allows for denial of service attacks on the server. Versions up to and including Lotus Notes/Domino 8.5.2 Fix Pack 2 (FP2) are reportedly affected. IBM has provided an interim fix in Domino 852FP2IF1. Alternatively, users can upgrade to Lotus Notes/Domino 8.5.2 Fix Pack 3 (FP3), which was released July 18, to close the hole. Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/iCal-messages-crash-Lotus-Domino-server-1284243.html>

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Communications Sector

49. *July 25, WPTZ 5 Plattsburgh* – (New York) **Land-line telephone service is experiencing network problems.** Residents in the North Country of New York were experiencing sporadic problems with connecting telephone calls from land lines July 24 and 25. Phone companies were experiencing network problems in Clinton, Essex, and Franklin counties that were causing sporadic phone system problems including possible outages and/or inability to place phone calls. 9-1-1 systems were still functioning. Source: <http://www.wptz.com/r/28650198/detail.html>
50. *July 25, International Falls Journal* – (Minnesota) **Psalm 99.5 radio tower collapses.** A 650-foot transmitting tower for Psalm 99.5, a non-commercial Christian radio station based in International Falls, Minnesota, collapsed July 24. It was the station's largest tower which carried its main signal. The tower was located near Loman and transmitted music and talk programming to Falls and Fort Frances, and throughout several larger towns in northern Minnesota. The station's staff worked quickly to put up a temporary 100-foot antenna to resume programming in the Falls and Fort Frances July 24, but the station manager said the range the station was on the air was at most a 15-mile radius. The fallen tower could transmit throughout a 90-mile radius as well as send signal to receivers in the Iron Range to be rebroadcast in other cities. Psalm was off the air in three-quarters of its listening area, including seven towns that have translators built to pick up signal from the fallen tower. Those cities include Bemidji, Red Lake, Warroad, Ely, Babbitt, Tower, and Angle Inlet. Psalm's second station in Hibbing had a tower sending a signal to Grand Rapids, Eveleth/Virginia, Hoyt Lakes, Chisholm, and Cook. Programming in those areas was still on the air. Optimistically, the station manager said, the station would have a new tower in October.

Source: http://www.ifallsdailyjournal.com/pages/full_story/push?article-Psalm+99-5+radio+tower+collapses&id=14787065&instance=comments

51. *July 24, Findlay Courier* – (Ohio) **Telephone service outage in Arcadia, Vanlue.** Telephone service in Arcadia and Vanlue, Ohio, was out of service July 24, the Hancock County Sheriff's Office said after being contacted by TDS Telecom. A lightning strike caused the outage July 23, the sheriff's office said. 911 services were also affected. No time frame had been established as of July 24 to restore services.

Source:

http://www.thecourier.com/Issues/2011/Jul/24/ar_news_072411_story3.asp?d=072411_story3,2011,Jul,24&c=n

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Commercial Facilities Sector

52. *July 25, Detroit Free Press* – (National) **Mass shootings at parties, car show, casino over the weekend.** A rash of shootings erupted across the United States late July 23 and July 24, with three incidents at birthday parties, one at a car show, and one at a casino. Police in Stockton, California, said a 15-year-old boy died and eight people were wounded in a shooting at a backyard birthday party. Police said at least one person in an adjoining backyard opened fire on a group of people attending the party about 11 p.m. July 23. No arrests have been made, and police have not determined a motive. In Grand Prairie, Texas, the owner of a skating rink said July 24 he shoved children out of harm's way when a parent suddenly opened fire on his estranged wife and her family at a birthday party. The Forum Roller World owner said the shooting that left six dead lasted just moments. In Apopka, Florida, a suspect fired several shots from a handgun after fighting erupted among teenagers at a birthday party at a central Florida home, leaving nine people wounded, authorities said July 24. Authorities said at least 20 people were injured in two separate, unrelated shootings that took place within hours of each other in Seattle suburbs during the weekend of July 23 and 24. In the first, 13 people were wounded after a fight erupted into gunfire at a low-rider car show July 23 in Kent, about 20 miles south of Seattle, sending spectators ducking for cover, and merchants hiding in stores. About 10 hours later, in the neighboring city of Auburn, police said a jealous husband walked into a casino nightclub with a handgun and opened fire on his estranged wife, her male companion, and her two sisters as they danced on the floor.

Source: <http://www.freep.com/article/20110725/NEWS07/107250372/Mass-shootings-parties-car-show-casino-over-weekend>

53. *July 25, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Two men dead from shooting outside Irving Mall.** Two men were shot to death as they were leaving a store near a Dallas, Texas mall. The two men and a woman were leaving an AT&T store across the street from Irving Mall July 24. Witnesses told police that the three were about to get into their vehicle when a yellow sedan pulled up to them and shots were fired. One of the men

died at the scene, and the other was pronounced dead later at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas. Police said there appeared to more than one suspect in the shooting, which occurred shortly before 2:30 p.m.

Source: <http://www.newschannel6now.com/story/15139486/two-men-dead-from-shooting-at-irving-mall>

54. *July 24, KOMO 4 Seattle* – (Washington) **3-alarm blaze destroys S. Seattle apartments; 2 injured.** Two people were injured in the afternoon July 24 as a raging, three-alarm fire at a South Seattle-area apartment building sent a huge black plume of smoke billowing over the city. Firefighters rushed to the scene, the Lighthouse Apartments at about 2 p.m. A second alarm was sent out almost immediately, and a third alarm was sounded at 2:20 p.m. Witnesses said the entire 4-story, 16-unit complex was engulfed in flames as fire crews arrived. At its height, the smoke plume was visible from downtown Seattle, and could be seen as far away as Tacoma. It took an hour for firefighters to bring the fire under control, and it was still smoldering 3 hours later. Two people suffered burns, but their injuries were not considered life-threatening, fire officials said. More than 60 firefighters responded from multiple communities, including Burien, Skyway, North Highline, SeaTac, and Kent.

Source: <http://www.seattlepi.com/local/komo/article/3-alarm-blaze-destroys-S-Seattle-apartments-2-1572835.php>

55. *July 24, Associated Press* – (International) **90 minutes of terror on island.** Police arrived at a July 22 island massacre in Norway about 90 minutes after a gunman first opened fire, slowed because they didn't have quick access to a helicopter, and then couldn't find a boat to make their way to the scene just several hundred yards offshore. The assailant surrendered when police finally reached him, but 82 people died before that. Survivors of the shooting spree described hiding and fleeing into the water to escape the gunman, but a police briefing July 23 detailed for the first time how long the terror lasted — and how long victims waited for help. The shooting came on the heels of a bombing in downtown Oslo. In all, at least 92 people were killed in the twin attacks that police blamed on a 32-year-old Norwegian farmer. A SWAT team was dispatched to the island more than 50 minutes after people vacationing at a campground said they heard shooting across the lake, according to the police chief. The drive to the lake took about 20 minutes, and once there, the team took another 20 minutes to find a boat. The chief said police chose to drive because their helicopter wasn't on standby. "There were problems with transport to Utoya," where the youth-wing of Norway's left-leaning, ruling Labor Party was holding a retreat, the police chief said. "It was difficult to get hold of boats." At least 85 people were killed on the island. The attack followed the explosion of a bomb packed into a panel truck outside the building that houses the prime minister's office in Oslo. Seven people were killed in the bombing.

Source:

<http://www.telegram.com/article/20110724/NEWS/107249889/1052/rss01&source=rss>

56. *July 22, Associated Press* – (New York) **State cites theme park in vet's coaster death.** Operator error was to blame for an amputee Iraq war veteran's deadly fall from a roller coaster and the amusement park was cited for having improperly trained workers, state officials said July 22. Labor department investigators found the Ride of

Steel coaster at Darien Lake Theme Park & Resort in Darien Center, New York was mechanically sound and safety devices were working properly when the Army sergeant, who had lost both his legs to a roadside bomb, was lifted from his seat near the end of the ride and thrown to the ground July 8. The 29-year-old father of two died of blunt force trauma. State investigators said operators did not follow rules posted at the ride's entrance, which require that riders have both legs. A seatbelt and metal bar restrain riders by the legs, shins and lap. The labor department, which has regulatory authority over amusement park rides, said it issued two violations to Darien Lake: one for not properly training the ride's operators on the safety and operations restrictions, and the second because operators were unfamiliar with the coaster's safety requirements. No fines or penalties accompanied the violations. The ride, which had been closed since the accident, was re-opened July 22 after operators received fresh training in safety procedures and clearer safety signs were posted at the recommendation of the labor department. Managers also must now review all safety restrictions on every ride prior to the start of each operator's shift, the department said. Source: <http://www.militarytimes.com/news/2011/07/ap-state-cites-theme-park-in-vets-coaster-death-072211/>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

57. *July 24, Silver City Sun-News* – (New Mexico) **New lightning-caused fires burn in Gila forest over the weekend.** Two new lightning-caused fires broke out July 22 in the Gila National Forest in New Mexico. The Hollow Fire, 2 miles south of Mangus Lookout, has been contained and will be monitored. The size of the fire was not reported. The Seven HL Fire, 18 miles southeast of Reserve, is 100 percent contained, and fire crews continue to mop up the area July 24. The final size of the fire was reported as 1,131 acres. Also in the area, the Eagle Fire, 10 miles east of Reserve, was reported as being 140 acres in size. Fire crews were looking at the safest options for suppressing the wildfires without putting fire crews in imminent danger. The steep, rough terrain posed challenges for firefighters. That fire was detected July 13. The Holt Fire, which was detected July 11, located 7 miles east of Glenwood in the Gila Wilderness, was at 101 acres July 24. The fire was burning with low to moderate intensity in steep and rough terrain and was being monitored by lookout and ground personnel. An area closure north of Luna, surrounding the Wallow Fire burn area, was still in effect.

Source: http://www.scsun-news.com/ci_18543002

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58. *July 25, WVUE 8 New Orleans* – (Louisiana) **Concern over materials found in levee system.** The Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West raised concerns about sections of the area’s hurricane protection system as the height of the season approaches, WVUE 8 New Orleans reported July 25. The authority called attention to what it said was widespread use of “unsuitable materials” in levees on the West Bank. In a July 15 letter addressed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the authority west president wrote, “the use of unsuitable material in the construction of this project has been pervasive and continues unabated.” A spokesperson for the authority confirmed a 3-by-2-foot piece of wood removed from a levee under construction on the West Bank was an example of the debris that has been found in some of the levee system. Some of the debris found includes concrete, plastic, and tires. The letter stated the authority had “serious reservations about the future performance of these sections,” and highlights three areas of the storm risk reduction system between Jefferson and Plaquemines Parishes on the West Bank that are of the biggest concern, including Lake Cataouatche Pump Station to Bayou Segnette State Park. The other areas encompass the Hero Pump Station to the Algiers Canal floodwall and levee, and from new Westwego down to Orleans Village.
Source: <http://www.fox8live.com/news/local/story/Concern-over-materials-found-in-levee-system/CV5W5eZQ7EO-WVfGc0bP4g.csp>
59. *July 24, Times of India* – (International) **Four gates of Anjunem dam opened.** The reservoir of the Anjunem irrigation project’s (AIP) dam located on the Sanquelim-Belgaum highway in Chorla ghat, India, reached full level the weekend of July 23 and 24. The Water Resources Department (WRD) opened all four gates to release excess water. For the first time in 10 years, the dam received 3,010 millimeters of rainfall until July 24. The level of water started increasing from June 6 and the dam attained 87.10 meters July 14. The WRD issued a press release cautioning villagers about the water release. The chief engineer of WRD opened two gates July 19. The technical assistant of AIP dam said, “Last year, all four gates were opened on July 31 and rainfall recorded was 1,488 millimeters... this is first time in the last 10 years that the area has received 3,010 millimeters rainfall which is the highest ever.” The excess water in the dam is routed through Costi nadi and Valvanti River during the low tides. The Viridi area in Maharashtra was receiving heavy rainfall, and the deputy collector of Bicholim Narayan Gad reported Sanquelim and surrounding areas may suffer flooding.
Source: <http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/goa/Four-gates-of-Anjunem-dam-opened/articleshow/9350589.cms>
60. *July 24, Times of India* – (International) **Water released from Narora dam may swell Ganga dangerously.** The flooded Ganga River receded to 112.7 meters July 23, while nearly 1,10,000 cusecs of water was released from the Narora dam in district Bulandshahar, Uttar Pradesh in India. “The 1,10,000 cusecs of water would reach Kanpur either July 25 night or the morning July 26,” said one official. Experts said the river may cross the warning mark or even touch the danger mark as a result of the release from Narora dam. Nearly 12,000 people reside in the low-lying villages of Katri, and Bithoor. Some 24 villages could be affected in case of floods. Around 44,000 cusecs of water released from Narora dam the week of July 18 swelled the Ganga to 113 meters.

Source: <http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kanpur/Water-released-from-Narora-dam-may-swell-Ganga-dangerously/articleshow/9349312.cms>

61. *July 22, KAIT 8 Jonesboro* – (Arkansas) **Cost estimates from Randolph County levee breaches revealed.** Several large holes in a levee created by rushing floodwaters have not been repaired in Randolph County, Arkansas, KAIT 8 Jonesboro reported July 22. A damage estimate put the total repair cost to repair the damaged levee at over \$1 million. The bidding process for work will start July 28. A county judge said water “blew through” the levee in 13 places, some small breaches and some very large. He said the levee protects 65,000 acres south of Pocahontas. Anytime it rains, he checks the river gauges because the levee is compromised. “Twenty-one feet and we’re going to start having water coming through these breaches and we’ve got to get it fixed,” the judge said.

Source: <http://www.kait8.com/story/15131053/cost-estimates-from-randolph-county-levee-breaches-revealed>

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