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- Fiat Chrysler Automobiles issued a recall January 9 for 86,403 of its model years 2005 2010 vehicles in select makes to replace Takata airbag inflators. *TheCarConnection.com* (See item 2)
- The former top emissions compliance manager for Volkswagen in the U.S. was charged January 7 in Florida for allegedly conspiring to defraud the U.S. after playing a central role in the carmaker's efforts to conceal its emissions cheating from U.S. regulators with a so-called defeat device. *New York Times* (See item 3)
- Officials in Santa Cruz, California, declared an emergency water shortage January 9 and asked residents to limit their water use by 30 percent until January 16. KGO 7 San Francisco (See item 11)
- The former president of United Auto Workers Local 2326 and an insurance broker were charged January 9 for allegedly defrauding Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey out of roughly \$6.6 million. *Associated Press* (See item 12)

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Energy Sector

1. January 10, Colorado Springs Gazette – (Colorado) Hurricane-force winds down trees, topple trucks and prompt outages around Colorado Springs. Around 11,500 Colorado Springs Utilities customers in Colorado remained without power January 10 after near-hurricane force winds caused roughly 20,000 people to lose power January 9. Source: http://gazette.com/hurricane-force-winds-down-trees-topple-trucks-and-prompt-outages-around-colorado-springs/article/1593978

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Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

- 2. January 9, TheCarConnection.com (International) Chrysler Aspen, Dodge Durango, Ram 2500 and 3500 recalled to fix Takata airbags. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles issued a recall January 9 for 86,403 of its model years 2005 2010 vehicles in select makes sold in the U.S. to replace Takata airbag inflators on the driver's or passenger's side of the vehicles. The recall also includes roughly 14,000 vehicles sold in Canada, Mexico, and outside of North America.

 Source: http://www.thecarconnection.com/news/1108255 chrysler-aspen-dodge-durango-ram-2500-3500-recalled-to-fix-takata-airbags
- 3. January 9, New York Times (National) **F.B.I.** arrests Volkswagen executive on conspiracy charge in emissions scandal. The former top emissions compliance manager for Volkswagen in the U.S. was charged January 7 in Florida for allegedly conspiring to defraud the U.S. after playing a central role in the carmaker's efforts to conceal its emissions cheating from U.S. regulators with a so-called defeat device. The arrest came as Volkswagen and the U.S. Department of Justice neared a deal to pay over \$2 billion to settle the criminal investigation into the emissions cheating. Source: http://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/09/business/volkswagen-diesel-emissions-investigation-settlement.html?src=busln&r=2

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

4. January 9, McLean Patch – (Virginia) Police seize 87 fraudulent credit cards from

suspects Sunday at Tysons shopping center. Authorities in Fairfax County, Virginia, arrested and charged 3 suspects after they seized 87 fraudulent credit cards in the suspects' possession at Tysons Corner Center January 8. Further investigation revealed the suspects also possessed several items used to manufacture fake credit cards and identification cards.

Source: http://patch.com/virginia/mclean/police-seize-87-fraudulent-credit-cards-suspects-sunday-tysons-shopping-center

Transportation Systems Sector

5. January 10, Tulsa World – (Oklahoma) Steers rounded up, some euthanized, after cattle truck overturns on Inner Dispersal Loop downtown. Portions of the Inner Dispersal Loop in Tulsa, Oklahoma, were closed for more than 4 hours January 9 after a cattle truck overturned, setting around 90 steers loose on the roadway. A total of 10 calves died from the crash.

Source: http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/local/nearly-steers-set-loose-some-euthanized-after-cattle-truck-overturns/article_a0e23b77-ae55-56ec-b7ad-105a3e1429e6.html

6. *January 10, Monterey County Herald* – (California) **Slides shut Santa Cruz county arteries in wake of storm.** California State Route 17 near Vine Hill Road in Santa Cruz was closed for more than 9 hours January 9 after a roughly 300-foot section of hillside slid onto the roadway.

Source: http://www.montereyherald.com/general-news/20170109/slides-shut-santa-cruz-county-arteries-in-wake-of-storm

7. January 9, New York Daily News – (New York) Water spill causes delays on eight subway lines. Eight Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) train lines in New York were delayed for about 3 hours January 9 after an ice-blocked water main at the West Fourth Street – Washington Square station caused water to spill out onto the tracks, prompting MTA officials to temporarily cut power.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/water-spill-delays-subway-lines-\underline{article-1.2941388}}$

8. January 9, KOMO 4 Bellevue – (Washington) Some lanes of Pacific Highway in Federal Way reopen after large gas leak. The southbound lanes of Pacific Highway in Federal Way, Washington, reopened several hours after a major gas main break at a nearby construction site forced the closure of both directions of the highway January 9. Crews conducted a HAZMAT investigation in the immediate area and advised several nearby businesses to close due to elevated levels of natural gas.

Source: http://komonews.com/news/local/large-gas-leak-closes-pacific-highway-in-federal-way

9. *January 9, KNTV 11 San Jose* – (California) **Highway 101 in Gilroy reopens after flooding.** Both directions of U.S. Route 101 south of Monterey Street in Gilroy, California, were closed for several hours January 8 – January 9 due to flooding that prompted authorities to issue voluntary evacuation orders for the city's low-lying areas.

Source: http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/Flooding-Shuts-Down-Highway-101-in-Both-Directions-in-Gilroy-410048735.html

For additional stories, see items $\underline{1}$ and $\underline{18}$

Food and Agriculture Sector

10. January 10, U.S. Department of Agriculture – (New Jersey; New York; Washington) Schreiber Processing Corp. recalls chicken tender products due to possible foreign matter contamination and misbranding. Schreiber Processing Corp. issued a recall January 9 for roughly 2,330 pounds of its "Meal Mart Battered & Breaded Chicken Breast Tenders" products sold in 10-pound boxes due to misbranding and potential plastic contamination after the company received a consumer complaint regarding plastic pieces found in the products. There have been no confirmed reports of injuries or illnesses and the products were shipped to institutional and retail establishments in New Jersey, New York, and Washington.

Source: https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2017/recall-002-2017-release

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

11. January 10, KGO 7 San Francisco – (California) **Drinking water emergency declared in Santa Cruz.** Officials in Santa Cruz, California, declared an emergency water shortage January 9 and asked residents to limit their water use by 30 percent until January 16 after a storm the weekend of January 7 caused a critical water pipeline to leak 1,500 gallons per minute for several hours. City officials have no estimate of how long it will take to repair the leak.

Source: http://abc7news.com/weather/drinking-water-emergency-declared-in-santa-cruz/1694992/

For additional stories, see items 16 and 18

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

- 12. January 10, Associated Press (National) Former union official, broker charged in \$6.6 million fraud. The former president of United Auto Workers Local 2326 and an insurance broker were charged January 9 for allegedly defrauding Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey out of roughly \$6.6 million after the broker created two shell companies to market insurance to hundreds of people across the country not employed by them, and allowed some of those people to stay on the union's plan even after the health care program discovered they did not meet eligibility requirements. Source: http://www.kansas.com/news/business/article125580634.html
- 13. *January 9, Threatpost* (National) **St. Jude Medical patches vulnerable cardiac devices.** St. Jude Medical, Inc. and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced January 9 the release of a software update for St. Jude's Merlin at home Transmitter medical device after MedSec Holdings and Muddy Waters discovered in 2016 that the

remote transmitting devices used to communicate with St. Jude's implantable cardiac devices were plagued with vulnerabilities that exposed pacemakers and defibrillators to attacks, putting patients' physical safety at risk.

Source: https://threatpost.com/st-jude-medical-patches-vulnerable-cardiac-devices/122955/

Government Facilities Sector

14. *January* 9, *KFDA* 10 Amarillo – (Texas) **Flooding damages Potter County** Courthouse. The Potter County Courthouse in Amarillo, Texas, was closed until further notice January 9 due to flooding throughout the building after a heating and air conditioning unit on the sixth floor burst while thawing. Officials were working to determine the extent of the damages.

Source: http://www.newschannel10.com/story/34220502/flooding-damages-potter-county-courthouse

15. *January 9, KKTV 11 Colorado Springs* – (Colorado) **El Paso County Courthouse to reopen Tuesday.** The El Paso County Combined Courts in Colorado was evacuated and closed January 9 after severe wind blew parts of the facility's roof off, causing damage to the courthouse's south tower.

Source: http://www.kktv.com/content/news/Portion-of-roof-flies-off-El-Paso-County-Courthouse-forces-evacuation-410132155.html

16. January 9, Associated Press – (California) Yosemite National Park to reopen following flooding. Officials at Yosemite National Park in California announced the valley floor would reopen to visitors January 10 after severe storms and flooding forced the closure of the area January 6. Park workers were working to assess the extent of the damage to the water and sewer systems.

Source: http://www.pressdemocrat.com/news/6525568-181/yosemite-national-park-to-reopen

- 17. January 9, WPEC 12 West Palm Beach (Florida) South County Courthouse evacuated. The South Palm Beach County Courthouse in Delray Beach, Florida, was evacuated for several hours January 9 after a suspicious powder was found in a letter addressed to the Palm Beach County Clerk. Three people were checked out for possible symptoms related to the powder, which firefighters determined was not a threat. Source: http://cbs12.com/news/local/south-county-courthouse-evacuated
- 18. *January 9, WKXW 101.5 FM Trenton* (New Jersey) **Water main break snarls Trenton traffic, closes justice complex.** The Hughes Justice Complex in Trenton, New Jersey, was closed January 9 after a 16-inch water main broke due to the cold weather. The break forced the closure of several surrounding streets while crews evaluated and repaired the break.

Source: http://nj1015.com/water-main-break-snarls-trenton-traffic-closes-justice-complex/

19. January 9, SecurityWeek – (International) Man pleads guilty to hacking accounts of

U.S. officials. A North Carolina resident pleaded guilty the week of January 2 for his role in the "Crackas With Attitude" hacking group's conspiracy to gain access to the online accounts of Federal Government officials and their families, as well as government computer systems from October 2015 and February 2016. The group published the officials' personal details on the Internet and harassed them over the phone.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/man-pleads-guilty-hacking-accounts-us-officials

For another story, see item 1

Emergency Services Sector

20. *January 10, WFXT 25 Boston* – (Massachusetts) **Inmates riot, trash part of Shirley's maximum security prison.** The Souza-Baranowski Correctional Center in Shirley, Massachusetts, remained on lock down January 10 following a disruption involving 46 inmates housed in the P1 maximum security unit of the facility that forced corrections officers to be temporarily evacuated January 9. The inmates caused extensive damage to the unit during the riot, and officials stated the inmates will be transferred into separate units while the incident is investigated.

Source: http://www.fox25boston.com/news/correctional-officers-evacuated-from-souza-baranowski-housing-unit/482858135

Information Technology Sector

21. *January 9, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Rockwell Automation addresses flaws in programmable controllers.** Rockwell Automation released firmware updates for its Allen-Bradley programmable automation controllers, programmable logic controllers, and safety programmable controllers after Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) reported that versions 16–21 of the devices were plagued with a critical stack-based buffer overflow flaw that could be remotely exploited to execute arbitrary code on a controller or cause the device to enter a denial-of-service (DoS) condition by sending maliciously crafted common industrial protocol (CIP) packets to the targeted device.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/rockwell-automation-addresses-flaws-programmable-controllers

- 22. *January 9, SecurityWeek* (International) **Edge exploits added to Sundown EK.** A security researcher discovered that the operators of the Sundown exploit kit (EK) started leveraging two memory corruption flaws in Microsoft Edge that can be remotely exploited to execute arbitrary code in the context of the user by tricking a victim into accessing a maliciously crafted Website.
 - Source: http://www.securityweek.com/edge-exploits-added-sundown-ek
- 23. *January 9, SecurityWeek* (International) **Mac crashing attack method used in tech support scam.** Malwarebytes Labs security researchers discovered that attackers are leveraging drive-by downloads to deliver malicious code targeting Apple's Safari browser on Macs via a newly registered scam Website that pushes two different types

of denial-of-service malware as part of a campaign to trick victims into calling a fake tech support service. The researchers stated that the attack does not work against machines running Mac's operating system Sierra 10.12.2 or above.

Source: http://www.securityweek.com/mac-crashing-malware-distributed-tech-support-scam

For additional stories, see items 13 and 19

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

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

24. *January 10, Associated Press* – (Michigan) **5 injured, dozens displaced by Ypsilanti apartment fire.** A fire at the University Green Apartments in Ypsilanti, Michigan, displaced up to 40 people and injured 5 others January 10. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Source: http://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/2017/01/10/ypsilanti-apartment-fire/96384882/

25. *January 10, KHON 2 Honolulu* – (Hawaii) **Gas leak forces popular bakery to shut down until further notice.** Leonard's Bakery in Honolulu was closed until further notice January 9 after a synthetic natural gas leak prompted the restaurant to evacuate employees and customers. No injuries were reported and firefighters were able to shut off the leaking valve.

Source: http://khon2.com/2017/01/09/gas-leak-forces-popular-bakery-to-shut-down-until-further-notice/

26. *January 9, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **Jewish Community Center in Baltimore evacuated after threat.** A Jewish Community Center in Baltimore was evacuated for over 2 hours January 9 after receiving a bomb threat. Authorities cleared the building and the incident remains under investigation.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/baltimore-city/bs-md-ci-jcc-evacuated-20170109-story.html}$

For another story, see item 8

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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