



CYBERSECURITY

[Responding to Cyber-Attacks in the Utility and Energy Sectors](#)

To assist utilities with assessing and responding to cyber risks, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) recently issued a report on best practices to respond to and recover from cybersecurity incidents in the utility industry. [Read more](#)

DATA PRIVACY

[Massachusetts Ballot Question 1 Still on the Forefront as Automakers Sue to Block its Implementation](#)

A group of automakers through the Alliance for Automotive Innovation is suing Massachusetts in federal court to block the new 'Right to Repair' law that passed on November 3rd. This law was known as "Question 1" to Massachusetts residents hitting the polls earlier this month. As we discussed in our prior blog [post](#), the new state law expands access to certain diagnostic and repair data collected by onboard computer systems that is currently only accessible in 'real-time' by the manufacturers (and in turn, their dealers). The lawsuit argues that it will impose a financial burden on auto manufacturers and threatens the privacy of car owners by exposing data from their vehicles. We discussed many of these privacy and security concerns in our [post](#) back in October when consumers were still contemplating whether they wanted their small autobody shops to have more access to their data or to prevent more sharing of their vehicle's data. [Read more](#)

ENFORCEMENT + LITIGATION

[Home Depot Settles Data Breach Multi-state Enforcement Action for \\$17.5 Million](#)

Home Depot has agreed to settle a multi-state enforcement action by 46 U.S. states and Washington, D.C. arising from the data breach that occurred in 2014. Home Depot has agreed to pay \$17.5 million to put the enforcement action behind it. The investigation was led by the Attorneys General of Connecticut, Illinois and Texas. [Read more](#)

CCPA/CPRA

[Is Your Business Collecting COVID-19-Related Employee Data? If So, You May Need to Update Your CCPA Employee Notice](#)

The California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) requires businesses covered by the CCPA to notify their employees of the categories of personal information the business collects about employees and the purposes for which the categories of personal information are used. The

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categories of personal information are broadly defined in the CCPA and include personal information such as medical information, geolocation data, biometric information, and sensory data. [Read more](#)

PRIVACY TIP #261

[Online Shopping Tips for the Holidays](#)

During this holiday season, support your local retailers, shop safely and have a happy, safe and healthy Thanksgiving. For those shopping online, this week's privacy tip covers some safe shopping guidelines. [Read more](#)



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