



# Online Water Security

Be informed. Be prepared.

## From the Editor

Welcome to the Water Information Sharing and Analysis Center (WaterISAC) free e-newsletter. When planning for water utility emergencies and responding to physical or environmental threats, WaterISAC believes information may be the best defense. So, as an expansion of our online, subscriber-based service, we share useful information and ideas via our e-newsletter.

THIS MONTH: We consider the latest security research conducted by the Water Environment Research Foundation (WERF) and look at the WaterISAC response during the recent London terrorist attacks. In addition, we provide a link to the upcoming WEFTEC conference, always a valuable resource for water sector security.

-Editor: Diane VanDe Hei, [editor@waterisac.org](mailto:editor@waterisac.org)

## WERF REPORTS ON SECURITY RESEARCH

The Water Environment Research Foundation has numerous projects underway to help utilities improve the management and security of their facilities. These projects include:

- a project to produce software to aid utilities in identifying and prioritizing their assets from both a life-cycle cost and security perspective. Researchers have developed an index of overall security risk that can be incorporated into vulnerability assessment tools such the Vulnerability Self-Assessment Tool (VSAT).
- a project to determine the most effective methods to communicate with the public during a catastrophe. The project will result in software

FOR MORE PRACTICAL  
AND UP TO THE MINUTE  
INFORMATION, SUBSCRIBE  
TO THE WATERISAC BY  
FOLLOWING THIS LINK >>>

**WEFTEC**<sup>05</sup>  
The Water Quality Event

that will allow utilities to retrieve communication statements in a disaster situation.

- an emergency response guidance document intended to help wastewater systems organize their emergency response planning and create an emergency response plan that can be easily implemented.

Additional information on these projects can be found in the online version of WERF's [Progress](#) newsletter. Through an agreement with WERF, the WaterISAC provides updated progress reports on WERF security research projects in the WaterISAC library under Research In Progress.

### **LONDON ATTACKS**

Did you know that when the London mass transit attacks occurred on July 7 and July 21, WaterISAC provided up-to-date information, analysis and regular updates, as events unfolded? Updates included specific information and analysis about the attacks, terrorist techniques and procedures, and precautionary measures taken in the United States. Since the attacks, subscribers are being updated with additional information and analysis of the implications of the terrorist attack. Information is filed in a folder entitled "London Attacks" to facilitate easy retrieval and review of information by subscribers.

For more information on WaterISAC, visit [www.waterISAC.org](http://www.waterISAC.org).

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR WEFTEC**

WEFTEC is the Water Environment Federation's premier annual educational event for water sector professionals. The conference draws thousands of attendees from around the world to learn the latest water and wastewater practices, solutions, and regulations in their field. Click the WEFTEC logo above to link to the WEFTEC site.

---

The WaterISAC ([www.waterisac.org](http://www.waterisac.org)) is the only centralized, secure, online resource of security threats that solely serves America's drinking water and wastewater utilities. The WaterISAC e-newsletter is a monthly electronic publication that highlights useful tips, case studies or analysis about water security.

P.S. Got questions, comments, or ideas for us?

Email [editor@waterisac.org](mailto:editor@waterisac.org) or call 1 866-H2OISAC (1 866-426-4722).



*Water Information Sharing and Analysis Center*

1620 I Street, NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20006

1-866-H2OISAC

[Forward email](#)

This email was forwarded to kostergaard@induscorp.com, by [Susan](#).

[Privacy Policy](#).

Powered by

