

WEST KNOX FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Hazard Control Technologies, Inc.
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Dear Hazard Control Technologies, Inc.:

On February 20, 2003 at 0731 hours, the Laurel County 911 Dispatch Center received numerous calls of explosions and fire at the CTA Acoustics plant in Corbin Kentucky. On the initial page of the call to the plant our department responded with 3 engines, 2 tankers, and 1 rescue truck. While leaving my home which is about one mile from the plant, I noticed heavy black smoke coming from that area I notified Laurel Dispatch to page a second alarm for Keavy Fire Department, London Cities ladder truck, and for Laurel County Fire Departments cascade truck.

Upon arriving at the plant, I immediately took command of the scene and I noticed heavy smoke, and flames coming from the area of the production lines, and found all the employees coming from the building and many were burned. I then notified dispatch to set off a third alarm for Corbin cities ladder truck, Woodbine, and Oak Grove Fire Departments and for all the ambulances that they could send to respond. We set up 2 triage areas for the victims, and also started a primary search of the building for possible other victims, and with the initial attack of the fire using water and AFFF foam on the fire. The fire was very intense and burning in three or four areas of the structure. We found from looking at the MSDS sheets that the products inside of the burning structure consisted of:

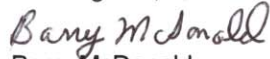
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| Silica Quarts Sand | Ammonium Stearate Aqueous |
| Polyvinyl Chloride Mixture | Foam Coating |
| USL 600 (oil) | Antimony Compounds |
| Phenolic Resin | Rhoplex Acrylic Emulsion |
| Kaolin Superwhite Clay | Ajack Black |
| Aluminum Oxide (Hydrated) | Polymeric Isocyanate |
| Decabromodiphenyl Oxide | Battery Acid (sulfuric Acid) |

We had heavy fire going on for about an hour, when we were told to evacuate the building because of a possible explosion from inside of cyanide gas. After about 30 minutes from the evacuation it was decided that their wasn't going to be one, and we went back in to extinguish the fire, but this time instead of AFFF foam we used F-500 multi- purpose fire suppression agent that we had received from Wynn Fire Equipment during our fire. We poured the F-500 into 3 different dump tanks we had set up, and was pouring one 5-gallon bucket to every other load of water.

The fire was extinguished within about 25 minutes after we started using the F-500 multi-purpose fire suppression agent. We were truly amazed at the results the F-500 did on this fire and has since ordered 20 buckets of the agent for our department, and replaced the other 29 buckets of AFFF foam used by the other Departments with F-500 multi- purpose fire suppression agent.

This disaster was the most costly as for death (7) since (10) miners died back in 1989 in southeastern Kentucky. By the time the disaster was over there was a total of 45 different agencies involved from local, state and federal of which 19 were fire departments.

Best regards,



Barry McDonald

Chief

West Knox Fire Dept.

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