

Traffic Collision with Diesel Spill

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Incident Number: 15-0075200

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Incident Type: Traffic Collision w/ Diesel Spill

Date/Time of Incident: November 5th, 2015, 5:30 AM

Incident Location: Telephone Road / Victoria Avenue

Cause: Under investigation

Injuries: None

Fire Equipment: 1 ALS Engine Company, 1 ALS Truck Company, 1 Command

Total Fire Personnel: 8

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, Ventura Police Department, Ventura Streets Department

Narrative: Ventura City Fire crews responded to a reported injury traffic collision with fire. The first engine company to arrive found that a mid-sized delivery van and a semi tractor/trailer had collided, resulting in rupture of the saddle tanks on the semi and diesel fuel spilling onto the roadway. Fire in the engine compartment of the delivery van was suppressed by the driver of the semi, using a dry-chemical extinguisher, prior to arrival of emergency personnel. Fire and Streets personnel used absorbent materials to contain the spilling diesel fuel before it could enter the storm sewer. The absorbed fuel was eventually collected and disposed of following removal of the two vehicles. No injuries related to the accident were reported at the time of this release.

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