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Firefighters Battle Heavy Smoke in Commercial Structure Fire

Date/Time: May 14, 2015 11:41 p.m.

Location: 15700 Block on Valley Boulevard, Fontana, CA

Incident: Commercial Structure Fire

Summary: At 11:41p.m.on May 14, fire companies from the San Bernardino County Fire Department were dispatched to a commercial structure fire in the area of Valley Boulevard and Poplar Avenue in Fontana, CA.

The first arriving unit to the 15700 block on Valley Boulevard reported heavy smoke coming from two closed metal roll up doors of a 50,000 square foot metal butler style commercial structure. The business owner was on scene and unlocked a man door where firefighters made entry to attack the fire. The fire was located in a two story office area of the large warehouse.

A coordinated fire attack and vertical ventilation operation was used to remove the heavy smoke from the building so firefighter could advance hose lines into the area of the fire. Firefighters had the fire under control in less than thirty minutes.

Four engine companies, two truck companies, three paramedic squads, one rescue unit and a battalion chief, totaling 26 firefighters were assigned to the incident. No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported. The two million dollar structure received \$100,000 in damage from the fire. The fire was investigated by the San Bernardino County Fire Department Office of the Fire Marshall and the cause was electrical.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department would like to remind the public to please stay out of the roadway and keep a safe distance when there is an active fire, as you may get hurt and/or hinder firefighting efforts.

Courtesy photos can be located at www.sbcfire.org under Latest News.

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