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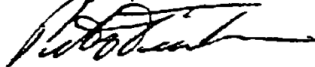
RE : 3 B&B Fire

At 2310 hours received a fire emergency call to 3 B&B Dr. 6 area. Upon arrival the crew was faced with a billet cobble that went beyond the limit switches and penetrated the wall of the building at the South end of the Mill. (Billet approximately 137 feet in length and red shot). Grease and oil were in the area ignited and sent flames up to 10 – 20m in the building.

The first attack was done using 4500 litres of water with a 1% mix of encapsulation agent, a new product the Fire Department is using. Upon talking to the P.C on shift the flames that were visible were immediately knocked down within a few seconds. The fire crew proceeded to cool the vital areas (farval tank and a number of compressed gas cylinders).

The temperature readings taken by heat trace gun went down from 1200F to 160F in 15 seconds. Other areas where the exposures were not a concern read 400F and were cooled with a hydrant hook up and bay water. Mill Delay was about 2hrs. This in my opinion was well handled by the crew involved and the aid of the product made knock down time immediate which relates to the Mill down time.

Thank you,



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