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News Release For Immediate Release

| Contact: Date: Address: Business Name: Alarm Type: Time Dispatched: Time on Scene: | PIO Mike Page 08-10-2012 574 A 25 Rd Plating Specialties Structure fire with Haz/Mat involvement 5:53 AM 5:58 AM |
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| Control Time: | 6:15 AM |
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Grand Junction Fire Department responded to a report of fire in a building at 574 A 25 Rd with 9 units and 25 personnel. First arriving unit found moderate smoke coming from the building. The building was locked and the crews had to force entry into the building and were able to quickly extinguish the fire. The building has a number of chemicals used in the plating process that are considered hazardous and water from the extinguishment was tested and found to be acidic. Crews used soda ash to neutralize the fire water and dammed the area to keep it confined to the area. Crews transitioned from fire suppression to haz/mat and began to assess the chemical spill potential in the building. Haz/Mat crews found no containers leaking and were able to determine the acidic nature of the runoff was from acidic build up from processing work done in the building. Crews were able to confine the problem to the building and secure the building from access until it is cleaned up. Environmental agencies have been notified to assist the owner with clean-up of the building.

Cause of the fire is under investigation at this time. Damage to the structure is considered moderate but smoke damage and clean-up will likely be significant. There were no injuries due to the fire.

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