



# Eau Claire Fire & Rescue

## News Media Report

**Date:** 2/7/11      **Dispatch Time:** 01:40      **Incident Number:** 2011-0788

**Location:** 3925 N. Hastings Way. Presto Absorbant Products

**Incident type:**       Fire     Hazardous Materials     Mass Casualty  
 Auto Casualty     Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Alarms:**  1<sup>st</sup> Alarm     2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm     3<sup>rd</sup> Alarm     Special Call

**Engine(s) Responding:** 3                      **Rescue/Medical vehicle(s):** 1

**Command Vehicle(s):** 1                      **Number of Personnel Responding:** 12

**Injuries:** Civilian(s) 0                      Firefighter(s): 0

**Transported by Ambulance:**  Yes (number \_\_\_\_\_)     No    **Where:**

**Fatalities:**     Yes (number \_\_\_\_\_)                       No

**Evacuation:**     Yes                       No    **Comments:**

**Relocation:**     Yes                       No    **Note:**

**Mutual Aid:**     Given     Received (units)     N/A

**Business Name:** Presto Absorbant Products Inc.

**Occupant Information**

Name:  
Address: 3925 N. Hastings Way.

Phone: 839-2047

**Property Owner Information**

Name: same  
Address:

Phone:

**Structure Type:** manufacturing                      **Area of Origin:** diaper machine

**Under Investigation:**  Yes     No    **By Whom:**

**Probable Cause:** undetermined

**Damage Estimate:** undetermined at time of this release                      *(structure & contents)*

**Narrative – See next page**

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### **Narrative:**

Eau Claire fire/rescue was called to a building fire at Presto Absorbant Products on N. Hastings Way. It was reported that a machine was on fire inside the building. On our arrival crews found a diaper machine that was on fire. The plant was in operation at the time of the fire and all plant personnel were evacuated to a safe area of the plant. The fire was put out with several fire extinguishers. The smoke was extensive inside the building and it took some time to remove. Overhaul of the machine to check for hot spots was time consuming do to its size and the amount of paper dust inside. Machine had a value of approx. 1.5 million and damage amount had not yet been determined. The plant was turned over to plant personnel and fire units cleared the scene by 04:00. There were no injuries as a result of the fire.

*Officer: Duane Grunst, Battalion Chief  
Eau Claire Fire Department*