



Eau Claire Fire & Rescue  
News Media Report

Date: 08-12-13

Dispatch Time: 0853

Incident Number: 13-4655

Location: 200 Block of 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Incident type:  Fire  Hazardous Materials  Mass Casualty  
 Auto Casualty  Other Natural Gas main break

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

Engine(s) Responding: E2, E5      Rescue/Medical vehicle(s):

Command Vehicle(s): Battalion 1      Number of Personnel Responding: 7

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

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

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

Evacuation:  Yes  No      Comments: Evacuation for 1/2 a block in all directions

Relocation:  Yes  No      Note:

Mutual Aid:  Given  Received (units)  N/A

**Business Name:**

**Occupant Information**

Name:

Address:

Phone:

**Property Owner Information**

Name:

Address:

Phone:

**Structure Type:**

**Area of Origin:**

Under Investigation:  Yes  No      By Whom:

Probable Cause: Struck by a backhoe

Damage Estimate: *(structure & contents)*

**Narrative – See next page**

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### **Narrative:**

Engine 2 and Battalion 1 responded to the 200 block of Fifth Avenue for a natural gas main that had been struck. Arrival finds a 4" main that had been struck by a backhoe doing utilities work. Xcel Energy was already on the scene working to contain the leak. Engine 5 was dispatched for additional assistance. Engine 2 crew stood by while Xcel clamped the leak. Engine 5 crew worked on evacuation of buildings 1/2 block in each direction. Once the leak was clamped and secured, buildings in the vicinity were checked for hazardous atmosphere. All units then cleared the scene.

*Officer: Jon Schultz - Division Chief  
Eau Claire Fire Department*