## Eau Claire Fire & Rescue



News Media Report

Date: 12/16/13
Location: 521 Erin Street Eau Claire
Incident type:
Alarms: ✓ 1 <sup>st</sup> Alarm
Engine(s) Responding: 3 Rescue/Medical vehicle(s): 1
Command Vehicle(s): 2 Number of Personnel Responding: 13
Injuries: Civilian(s) 0 Firefighter(s): 0
Transported by Ambulance:  Yes (number)  No Where: NA
Fatalities: Yes (number) ✓ No
Evacuation:  Yes  No Comments: 2 Family members
Relocation: Yes Note: Red Cross was notified for displaced residents
Mutual Aid: Given Received (units)
Business Name: Occupant Information Name: Address:
Property Owner Information Name: Address:
Phone:
Structure Type: 2 story residential Area of Origin: 2nd floor bedroom
Under Investigation: ✓ Yes No By Whom: Inspector Laska and ECPD Fire Investigator
Probable Cause: Under investigation
Damage Estimate: \$25,000 (structure & contents)

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## Narrative:

The ECFD responded to a report of a Structure Fire. While all units were en route to the scene an update from the Communication Center stated all the residents have been evacuated and accounted for. The update also stated there were some dogs and cats still in the building.

Upon arrival there was heavy smoke coming from the second floor windows on three sides. The first arriving Engine deployed a hose line and made entry to the second floor. The base of the fire was located and extinguished. Additional reports from the occupants that were on scene stated there were 9 cats and 2 dogs that were still missing. A search of the building produced the following results:

2 dogs and 3 cats were rescued from the building and turned over to ECPD Animal Control.

7 additional cats were located but did survive.

The fire was under control at approximately 1430 hours and the reminder of the time on scene was dedicated to looking for any extension of the fire.

There were no civilian or Fire Fighter injuries.

The Cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

Officer: Battalion Chief Bryon Bensen Eau Claire Fire Department