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News Release

CASE # 2017 - 4015 DATE: April 19, 2017 TIME: 0842

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Fire

LOCATION/ADDRESS: Fairview Rd. Medford, N.J.

NAME OF BUSINESS: Allied Painting

PROPERTY TAKEN/DAMAGES: Airman Model PDS185S Diesel Air Compressor

DEFENDANT/DRIVERS NAME, AGE, ADDRESS: N/A

CHARGES/SUMMONS: N/A

AMOUNT OF BAIL: 0 SET BY: N/A

10% AUTHORIZED R.O.R.

SUSPECTS/INJURED: NAME, AGE, ADDRESS: N/A

TYPE OF INJURY: N/A

WHERE HOSPITALIZED: None

SQUAD TRANSPORTING: None

INVESTIGATING/ARRESTING OFFICER: Ptl. D. Lund #65

NARRATIVE: On April 19, 2017 at 8:42 AM, Medford Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to the area of the Medford Township water tower on Fairview Rd. for a reported unknown fire and smoke condition. Painting contractors were on location working on the water tower which required the use of an air compressor and were evacuated from the immediate area. The Medford Township Fire Department went into service and quickly extinguished the fire. The fire completely destroyed the air compressor and also caused damage to electrical and antenna wiring belonging to the township. The Duty Medford Township Fire Marshall investigated the incident and determined that while the diesel

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powered air compressor was being used, a fuel line had broken causing raw diesel fuel to leak on to the exhaust and heated engine compartment starting the fire.

REQUEST A HOLD – STATE PURPOSE/REASON:

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____