

NFIRS-1 Others Involved 	A UNION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT Fire Department	03/28/2023 12:33:22 2023-027521 00 Date Time Incident Number Exposure	
	B Directions 50.5 INTERSTATE HWY 78 E UNION, NJ 07083 Cross Street: SPRINGFIELD LINE Census Tract		

K₁ 1 of 2 Involved: 1

Business name (if applicable)

Gregoy Sanon

Name

Address

City, State and Zip

PCR Number

Phone Number

Date of Birth

Age

Driver of Tractor trailer

Additional Information

Other Vehicles Involved in Incident

Trailer - semi, designed for freight

Mobile Property Type

Mobile Property Make

Mobile Property Model

Year

TZC82T

License Plate Number

NJ

State

VIN Number

Narrative

Gregory Sanon was driving 18 wheeler vehicle. No patient contact transported by EMS prior to vehicle extinguishment. Vehicle was burned beyond recognition including vin number and lisc plate of tractor. Trailer lisc plate New Jersey TZC82T Information on vehicle occupant aquired from state police. State police documented that his home address was 19 Monstrose street Apt 2 South Orange NJ

K₁ 2 of 2 Involved: 2

Business name (if applicable)

Kevin A Cougle

Name _____

50 Flagge St

Address

Rockaway, NJ 07866

City, State and Zip

PCR Number

Phone Number

Date of Birth

Age

████████████████████ Driver of Dump Truck

Additional Information

Narrative

Driver of dumptruck that upon arrival was fully involved in fire. Patient information aquired from state police at incident. Patient was found DOA. NO information on dumptruck as lisc plate and vin were burned beyond recognition.



Union Township

UNION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT: Dispatch

Incident # 2023-027521

Date and Time 03/28/2023 12:33:22

Box Number

Address I 78 Express

Cross Streets

Occupant

Dispatch Call Type Fire Investigation

Additional Call Type

Disposition

Dispatcher

Caller Source

Caller

Location Comments

Comments r12 shut springfield ave ramp 78 wb , express lane
E2 reports overturned truck fully involved at this time.
r1 shut ramp springfield ave to 24
BC requesting 2 and 1 response to Fire HQ.
601 reports intial reports that truck is empty at this time.
601 reports 2 trucks involved, 1 person DOA.
EMS5 on scene, 1 pt is complaining of pain
Request for water tanker from Linden.
1 pt tot Overlook Medical- Summit by EMs5
ALS notified -3241 responding.
Best approach is Springfield Avenue- (Home Depot) to 78 W Ramp for EMS.
Hazmat and State Pd on scene. Millburn, Springfield and Union on scene and all visible
fire is knocked down at this time. 1 pt tot OVS by EMS 5.
EMS1 staging at 78 W express entrance from Springfield Avenue.
ALS on scene at this time.
Fire in the roof of truck on scene.
DEP notified for oil spill. Apx 50 gallons of diesel and 20 gallons of oil.
DEP Inc 23-03-28-1332-22
Pronouncement made at 1336.
NJSP beginning investigation at this time.
Medical Examiner on scene at this time.
i 78 e local side is fully open at this time. 78 e and 78 w express lanes will remain closed
at this time.
victim has been removed
released from the scene by njsp, 78 eb express to remain closed at this time
MP 50.2 east
All visible fire knocked down
Extrication Complete

Miscellaneous Times

Time	Apparatus	Description	Location (if applicable)	Dispatcher
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12:34:41		Dispatched		
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14:34:59	End of Alarm	I 78 Express
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16:32:30	End of Alarm	I 78 Express

Vehicle Times

Unit #	Dispatch	Enroute\ Elapsed	Arrived\ Elapsed	Under Control\	Transport to	Arrival Hospital\	Received	Available	Inservice	Generate NFIRS\	Recall\ Elapsed	Reserve\ Elapsed	End of Alarm\	Out of Service\
601	13:34:24	13:34:24 00:00:00	14:18:26 00:44:02					15:36:25 02:02:01						
ALS3241	12:58:38	12:58:38 00:00:00	13:19:55 00:21:17					16:28:51 03:30:13						
BC2	12:46:33	12:46:33 00:00:00	12:46:34 00:00:01					16:32:30 03:45:57						
DEP1	14:18:25	14:18:25 00:00:00	14:18:34 00:00:09					14:18:39 00:00:14						
E1	12:38:03	12:38:03 00:00:00	12:37:58 00:00:05					16:03:06 03:25:03						
E3	12:44:44	12:44:55 00:00:11	12:49:58 00:05:14					14:24:07 01:39:23						
E6	12:33:53	12:33:53 00:00:00	12:37:56 00:04:03					14:34:59 02:01:06						

E6 Disposition: In-Service

EMS CAR1	12:49:08		12:49:26 00:00:18					14:34:59 01:45:51						
EMS1	13:06:33	13:06:33 00:00:00	13:34:26 00:27:53					16:28:40 03:22:07						
EMS5	12:38:44	12:38:44 00:00:00	12:42:24 00:03:40					13:49:53 01:11:09						
LD2	12:33:52	12:33:52 00:00:00	12:37:57 00:04:05					14:34:59 02:01:07						
Squad41	12:40:18	12:40:18 00:00:00	12:46:28 00:06:10					16:32:28 03:52:10						
TK3	12:38:02	12:38:02 00:00:00	12:38:01 00:00:01					14:47:04 02:09:02						

Vehicle Times Footnote(s)

NFIRS-1 Basic 	A UNION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT Fire Department		03/28/2023 12:33:22 2023-027521 00 Date Time Incident Number Exposure		
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C Incident Type: 132 Road freight or transport vehicle fire	E₁ Dates and Times Dispatched 03/28/2023 12:33:22 Responding 03/28/2023 12:33:00 Arrival 03/28/2023 12:37:00 Controlled 03/28/2023 15:36:00 Cleared 03/28/2023 16:33:00	E₂ Shift and Alarms <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">011</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Shift</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Alarm</td> <td style="text-align: center;">District</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Alarm Box</td> </tr> </table>	2	1	2	011	Shift	Alarm	District	Alarm Box
2	1	2	011							
Shift	Alarm	District	Alarm Box							
D Mutual Aid: None Their FDID State Incident Responding Departments (Press Other)	E₃ Special Studies									

F Actions Taken: 86 , 11 , 76 1. Investigate 2. Extinguishment by fire service personnel 3. Provide water	G₁ Resources <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Apparatus</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Personnel</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Suppression</td> <td style="text-align: center;">6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EMS</td> <td style="text-align: center;">4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Personnel Not on Apparatus</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Personnel</td> <td style="text-align: center;">24</td> </tr> </table>	Apparatus	Personnel	Suppression	6	EMS	4	Other	2	Personnel Not on Apparatus	1	Total Personnel	24	G₂ Estimated Dollar Losses Losses Property \$250,000 Contents Unknown Pre Incident Value Property \$250,000 Contents Unknown
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Deaths	Injuries							
Fire Service	0							
Civilian	1							

H₂ Detector	I Mixed Property Use
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K₁ Person Entity Involved Gregory Sanon INTERSTATE HWY 78 E UNION, NJ 07083	K₂ Owner Gregory Sanon INTERSTATE HWY 78 E UNION, NJ 07083 - - -
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L Remarks
 Engine 6, Ladder 2, Engine 1, Engine 3, Squad 41, Ladder 3, and BC2 dispatched to route 78 eastbound on report of an explosion and vehicle fire. Engine 6 and Ladder 2 arrived on scene established 78 command. Found a two truck MVA with both vehicles fully involved. Chief Ricciardi arrived and assumed command. All hands were working and multiple lines stretched and put in operation. ARFFF foam used for extinguishment from Engine 1 and Engine 3. Water tanker from Linden was called for and assisted with supply. Dump truck and tractor trailer fire was extinguished and vehicles extensively overhauled. State Police on scene for investigation. The driver of the Tractor trailer was transported prior to full extinguishment on vehicles. Driver of dump truck was DOA. County HAZMAT responded for oil and foam that flowed into a nearby storm drain. DEP was notified and established case # 23-03-28-1332-22. Reduced to Engine 1 and Ladder 2 to monitor for pockets of fire. Ladder 2 assisted the coroners office with cutting the body out of the dump truck. Once body was removed, Engine 1 and Ladder 2 were replaced with Engine 6. BC2 and Engine 6 remained on scene until released by state police.
 User: Zeh, David 4/1/2023 20:31:09

M David W Zeh Officer in Charge Scott M Holroyd Member Making Report	Battalion Chief Rank Captain Rank	Driver - Position A Assignment Officer in Charge Assignment	03/29/2023 Date 03/28/2023 Date
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SS Special Studies		
ID 9244	Title COVID 19 Discovery	Entry Description Unknown

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NFIRS-2 Fire 	B Property Details B₁ Not Residential Estimated number of residential living units in building of origin whether or not all units		C On-Site Materials or Products On-site material (1)		Storage Code	
	B₂ Buildings not Involved Number of buildings involved.		On-site material (2)		Storage Code	
	B₃ None Acres burned (outside fires).		On-site material (3)		Storage Code	
D Ignition <i>Engine area, running gear, wheel area</i> Area of Fire Origin <i>Hot or smoldering object, other</i> Heat Source <i>Flammable liquid/gas - in/from engine or burner</i> Item First Ignited <i>Kerosene, No. 1 and 2 fuel oil, diesel fuel</i> Type of Material First Ignited			E₁ Cause of Ignition <i>Cause under investigation</i>		E₃ Human Factors <i>Multiple persons involved</i>	
			E₂ Factors Contributing to Ignition 1. <i>Operational deficiency, other</i> 2. <i>Collision, knock down, run over, turn over</i>			
F Equipment Involved in Ignition						
G Fire Suppression Factors						
H₁ Mobile Property Involved <i>Involved in ignition and burned</i>			Freightliner Mobile Property Make			License Plate Number
H₂ Mobile Property Type <i>Trailer - semi, designed for freight</i>			Mobile Property Model			State
			Year			VIN Number
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NFIRS-4 Civilian Casualties 	A UNION TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT Fire Department		03/28/2023 12:33:22 2023-027521 00 Date Time Incident Number Exposure		
	B Address 50.5 INTERSTATE HWY 78 E UNION, NJ 07083 Cross Street: SPRINGFIELD LINE Census Tract				

B Injured Person <i>Male</i> Sex <i>Kevin</i> First Name <i>A</i> MI <i>Coughe</i> Last Name Suffix			C Casualty Number <i>1</i> Casualty	
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D Age or Date of Birth Age	E₁ Race <i>White</i>	F Affiliation	H Severity <i>Death</i>
OR Date of Birth	E₂ Ethnicity	E Date & Time of Injury <i>03/28/2023</i> Date <i>12:33</i> Time	I Cause of Injury <i>Undetermined</i>

J Human Factors Contributing to Injury ☐ None ☐ Asleep ☐ Unconscious ☐ Possibly impaired by alcohol ☐ Possibly impaired by other drug ☐ Possibly mentally disabled ☐ Physically disabled ☐ Physically restrained ☐ Unattended person	K Factors Contributing to Injury ☐ None 1 <i>Vehicle collision, rollover</i> 2 3
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L Activity When Injured <i>Undetermined</i>	M₂ General Location at Time of Injury	M₄ Story Where Injury Occurred ☐ Below Grade
M₁ Location at Time of Incident <i>In area of origin</i>	M₃ Story at Start of Incident ☐ Below Grade	M₅ Specific Location Time of Injury

N Primary Apparent Symptom <i>Undetermined</i>	O Primary Area of Body Injured	P Disposition ☐ Transported to emergency care facility
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Remarks
Victim was driving a dump truck that was involved in MVA with another vehicle. Vehicle cab was found fully involved in fire upon arrival. Unknown if Victim had medical event prior to accident or succumbed to injuries due to the fire. See Coroner report for more investigating information.

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NFIRS-10 Personnel 	A UNION TOWNSHIP FIRE Fire Department	03/28/2023 Date	12:33:22 Time	2023-027521 Incident Number	00 Exposure
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UNIT E3	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: E3 responded to 78 Eastbound via Victory Rd on a confirmed truck fire at above location. E3 staged in the area and was re directed by command to enter 78 Westbound express to supply T3 with water. Upon arrival E3 stretched 1 3/4" front bumper foam line manned by Summit Engine. We then received a water supply from the Union County Water Tender/Linden FD and in relayed to supply E1 across the highway simultaneously. Once Summit FD was released from the scene, E3 crew used foam line to extinguish hot spots in truck bed and under neath dump truck cab. Once all visible fire and hot spots were extinguished, E3 crew packed up all hose and were released from the scene. *Note: While operating at this incident, E3 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AFFF Foam).
Peros Tevnan DiFabrizio	

UNIT EMS CAR1	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments:
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UNIT E6	Disposition: In-Service Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: Engine 6 dispatched to the above address for black plume of smoke in the sky later updated to vehicle fire on route 78 eastbound. Engine 6 arrived on scene with ladder 2 and found two fully involved trucks. Engine 6 pulled a 1 3/4 line and proceeded to extinguish the fire along with other companies at the scene. A 2 in line was also stretched by ladder 2 company to assist in extinguishment. Engine 6 was shuttled water from additional engines on scene. E6 assisted in overhaul. One vehicle was a dump truck with a load of stone that needed to be moved in order to fully extinguish fire. Engine 6 packed up hose and was released from scene but returned at 1600hrs to relieve engine 1. Engine 6 stayed at scene until released by state police. *Note: While operating at this incident, E6 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AR-AFFF Foam).
D'Allessio Costello Holroyd	

UNIT LD2	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: Ladder 2 responded to the area of Rt 78 Eastbound for a reported explosion and smoke condition. Upon dispatch, Ladder 2 B notified the BC via radio that there was a large plume of smoke visible from the firehouse. Lad 2 arrived on scene and established command. At time of arrival, only the tractor trailer was visible from Lad 2's uphill/upwind location. Tractor trailer had crashed into median of the eastbound express lanes and was fully involved with fire. Lad 2 B spoke with driver
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of tractor trailer who was out of his vehicle, confirmed he was alone in the truck and was carrying no load in his truck. Lad 2 crew stretched a secondary preconnect off of Eng 6 to assist with initial containment and extinguishment. Crews were advised by the deputy that there was a second truck, a dump truck, involved in the crash with a victim trapped. Eng 6 and Lad 2 crews confined the fire to the area of the saddle tanks and Lad 2 B was able to confirm there was one patient entrapped in the dump truck cab. Crews were unable to gain access to the cab area due to fire conditions, however, patient appeared DOA. Lad 2 B called for foam to continue extinguishment of the flammable liquid fire in the immediate area of the saddle tanks and under the spilled stones from the dump truck. After fire extinguishment, Lad 2 personnel assisted NJSP and the Union County Medical Examiner with extrication and recovery of victim in the dump truck.

*Note: While operating at this incident, Lad 2 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AR-AFFF Foam). E-1 used roughly 55 gallons of foam.

Steitz Jr.
Davitt
Hubinger
Gaydos

**UNIT
BC2**

Disposition:
Starting Mileage: 0.0
Ending Mileage: 0.0
Comments:

Zeh

**UNIT
Squad41**

Disposition:
Starting Mileage: 0.0
Ending Mileage: 0.0

Comments: SQD41 was on a delayed response from wrapping up a call at 501 Green Lane. Once command was terminated, SQD41 responded to Rt 78 E via Victory Rd access. Upon arriving at scene, SQD 41 assisted in the stretching of a 1 3/4 inch hoseline from E1 to assist in fire extinguishment. Sqd members performed extensive overhaul operations removing debris on scene to gain better access to smoldering fire embedded below the large debris pile from the dump truck involved. Sqd 41 maintained a charged 1 3/4 inch hoseline during the extensive overhaul operations for the safety of all members operating on scene. Upon assisting other apparatus getting back in service, packing hose and accounting for equipment, Sqd 41 was released from the scene and returned to fire headquarters.

*Note: While operating at this incident, SQD 41 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AFFF Foam).

Hannon III
Rodriguez
Guerra

**UNIT
ALS3241**

Disposition:
Starting Mileage: 0.0
Ending Mileage: 0.0
Comments:

**UNIT
EMS1**

Disposition:
Starting Mileage: 0.0
Ending Mileage: 0.0
Comments:

UNIT E1	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: E-1 arrived on scene and was directed to deploy a 300' foam line. E-1 applied foam (AR-AFFF) to blanket the area. E-1 aided in extinguishment, and continued to wash down the area. Fire was hidden under stone, and other parts of the wreckage. E-1's tank was refilled by the County Tanker. E-1 utilized two hand lines for containment, and extinguishment. E-1 continued fire suppression activities while the tow company removed pieces of the wreckage, exposing the hidden fire. E-1 completed final extinguishment. E-1 was relieved by E-6. *Note: While operating at this incident, E1 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AR-AFFF Foam).E-1 used roughly 55 gallons of foam.
Binder Fretz Molina	
UNIT 601	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments:
Ricciardi	
UNIT TK3	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: Truck 3 responded to 78 Eastbound and was directed to position apparatus in front of E6 and L2 for possible ladder pipe operations. T3 crew was instructor by the IC to begin removing debris from on top of and underneath dump truck to assist crews operating handlines in knocking down pockets of fire. We then were directed to place a sheet over the deceased driver of the dump truck. Afterwards, we relieved E6 crew operating 1 3/4" handline and extinguished all accessible hot spots. Once all fire was knocked down and general debris removal was underway, we were released from the scene by the IC and relocated to fire HQ. *Note: while operating at this incident, T3 personnel were directly exposed to toxic carcinogen (AFFF Foam).
Machado Zieser Wright	
UNIT EMS5	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments:
UNIT DEP1	Disposition: Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments:
Sisbarro, III	
UNIT RESCUE2	Disposition: In-Service Starting Mileage: 0.0 Ending Mileage: 0.0 Comments: Rescue 2 arrived on scene, reported to Command. Command ordered Rescue 2 to stretch a 1.75" preconnect to the north side of the incident to assist in suppression efforts. Rescue 2 stretched line with Summit Rescue Co. Control of the line given to Summit Rescue. Rescue 2 reassigned to overhaul assisting the handlines on the South and East sides of the incident. Rescue assisted with the removal of stone from an involved Dump Truck and accessing fire located below the truck.

Rescue reassigned to Rehab. Rehab provided via water bottles for members on scene. Rescue assisted with putting E-6, Sq-41 back in service. Rescue released by command.

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