

Press Release
Harrisonburg Fire Department
101 North Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

For Immediate Release

Date: August 17, 2012

Contact: Captain Arthur Miller (432-7703)

Date of Occurrence: August 15, 2012

Time of Occurrence: 3:52 a.m.

General Location/Address of Occurrence: 1336 Hunters Road, Apartment H

Property Damaged: Hazardous Materials Investigation – Update #1

Injuries Sustained: One patient hospitalized at Rockingham Memorial Hospital

Narrative: The investigation into the circumstances of the hazardous materials release is nearly complete. Fire Marshals have sent the samples of the chemicals to the State forensics lab in Roanoke and are awaiting the lab test results.

Pending verification of the chemicals, Fire Marshals have determined that the hazardous materials release was intentional and that the release was apparently an attempted suicide.

The patient is recovering at Rockingham Memorial Hospital.

Investigating Officer: Captain Arthur Miller (432-7703)

The City of Harrisonburg is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to approximately 50,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov. The Harrisonburg Fire Department is rated Fire Class 3 out of a 1 to 10 ranking by the Insurance Service Organization (ISO). In the nation only 3.6% of fire departments have received a Class 3 rating. More information about the Harrisonburg Fire Department is online at www.harrisonburgfire.org