



FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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INCIDENT: Confined Space Rescue
TIME: 5:36 p.m.
LOCATION: 11600 Block of Monarch Street

Firefighters Perform Confined Space Rescue

Firefighters were dispatched to a manufacturing business in the 11600 block of Monarch Street for a reported confined space rescue incident at 5:36 p.m. today. The first-arriving crew found two adult males, approximately in their 30 – 40's, that were exposed to Argon gas while performing maintenance. One of the victims was able to self-extricate himself prior to fire department arrival, and the second one was found unresponsive in serious condition at the bottom of a 15' confined space vessel. A confined space rescue team was requested to respond. An overhead hoist was positioned over the area, and a firefighter/paramedic was lowered to perform a rapid extrication. The second victim was extricated within nine minutes without incident. Both men were transported to Los Alamitos Medical Center and West Anaheim Medical Center respectively. There is no update in the conditions of both these workers at this time. Cal OSHA and Orange County Hazardous Materials Unit were requested to respond. Assistance was provided by Anaheim Fire and Rescue and the Orange County Fire Authority.

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