



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: October 30, 2017
Incident No. 4616

The Portage Department of Public Safety Fire Division responded to 3800 E. Centre, Stryker Medical Manufacturing, for a reported structure fire. First arriving units encountered a robotic welder on fire and moderate smoke conditions in the manufacturing area of the plant. The fire was contained within 25 minutes of arrival. Fire crews were on scene for approximately one and a half hours performing suppression, ventilation, and investigation.

The cause of the fire is under investigation. The estimated loss to the equipment is approximately \$3,000.00. Fire Division personnel were assisted by Comstock Fire Department and Pride Care ambulance at the scene. Texas Fire Department, Oshtemo Fire Department, and off-duty personnel assisted manning city fire stations during the fire. No injuries were reported by occupants, bystanders, or emergency workers.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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