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# News Release

**Incident: Structure Fire**  
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**P.D. Case #: 07-25555**

On Saturday, May 19, 2007 at approximately 11:53 am, Egg Harbor Township Communications received a call from the owner of One Stop Auto Repair, Fathey Dewair, that he has a fire in his building. He was able to get his workers out of the building and no one was injured throughout the fire incident. One Stop Auto Repair is located at 7094 Black Horse Pike, more commonly known as Verona Boulevard in the West Atlantic City area of the township.

The West Atlantic City Fire Department responded. The incident immediately went to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm fire which activated the other township fire departments. West Atlantic City Fire Chief Walley Bakley stated, "More than 75 firemen responded to the scene and they did a great job of getting the fire under control."

The Egg Harbor Township Police Department responded and closed the highway down in both directions with the assistance of the Atlantic City Police Department, who diverted westbound traffic onto the Atlantic City Expressway and the Pleasantville Police Department which assisted in diverting the eastbound traffic.

The Egg Harbor Township Rescue Squad responded with three rigs and received assistance from the Absecon Rescue Squad, who coordinated the Rehabilitation area for the participants fighting the fire. The paramedics also respond to assist in the incident.

Police detective Mike Hughes responded along with Township Fire Inspector Don Stauffer, who stated, "The fire was ruled accidental."

The four lane roadway was closed for almost three and a half hours at which time it was opened to only one lane in each direction. The Department of Transportation also responded with arrow boards to assist in the directing of the traffic flow.

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