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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (July 19, 2019) The operation to offload the gas from the tank has been completed. The roadway reopened at 2:27 p.m.

SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE ON SCENE OF GAS LEAK

SUFFOLK, VA (July 19, 2019) Suffolk Fire & Rescue and Suffolk Police are on the scene of a gas leak involving a 1000 gallon propane tank in the 1000 block of Bowen Parkway at IES Commercial and Industrial, today, Friday, July 19, 2019. Emergency Communications was notified of the incident at 9:39 a.m.

Captain Nick Savage noted that a Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) regional response team from Portsmouth, Virginia along with AmeriGas are on the scene off-loading the gas from the tank. The business was evacuated and has ceased operations for the day as a result of the incident. No injuries were reported.

The roadway at Bowen Parkway is shut down until the operation is complete. Suffolk Police are providing traffic control at the scene.

Responding units from Suffolk Fire & Rescue include Battalion 2, Battalion 3, Engine 10, Engine 2, Engine 5, Medic 10A, Medic 6A, Safety 1, and Fire Marshal 6.

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