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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (May 1, 2015) The Suffolk Fire Marshal advises that a sprinkler company was able to isolate systems on the first floor and a fire watch was conducted until the full system could be restored. Any guests on the first floor were relocated elsewhere in the facility.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

HILTON GARDEN INN HARBOUR VIEW KITCHEN FIRE

SUFFOLK, VA (May 1, 2015) Suffolk Fire & Rescue and Suffolk Police are currently on the scene at the Hilton Garden Inn located in the 5900 block of Harbour View Boulevard.

Emergency Communications was notified of a fire alarm at 1:59 a.m., and shortly thereafter an employee called 911 advising of a fire in the kitchen with the guest lobby filling with smoke.

The first units arrived at 2:06 a.m. Guests had been evacuated prior to the arrival of firefighters but the building was searched by crews with the assistance of the Suffolk Police Department to confirm. The sprinkler system in the kitchen had extinguished the flames and there was no structural damage.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue is ventilating the first floor since smoke affected only that portion of the facility. All 135 guests will be permitted to return as soon as this has been completed and the fire alarms for the facility are reset.

There were no injuries.

Responding units included Battalion 2, Engines 5, 10 and 25, Ladder 5, Medic 5A, EMS-1, Rescue 1 and the Fire Marshal.

Suffolk Police also provided traffic control and security.

The Fire Marshal's Office is investigating the cause of the fire.

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