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UPDATE

Suffolk Fire & Rescue has declared the situation under control at 12:55 p.m. Units are clearing the scene at this time.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENT AT BASF

SUFFOLK, Virginia (January 24, 2011) Suffolk Fire & Rescue is currently on scene of a hazardous material situation at BASF, located at 2301 Wilroy Road. Units responded at 10:56 a.m. to a report of a fire at the location. Employees at BASF had initially responded to the fire, and Suffolk Fire & Rescue is currently on scene. The fire has been extinguished.

Company representatives advise that we are potentially dealing with the chemical Acrylonitrile. Suffolk Fire & Rescue has established an incident command to respond to the situation. The Virginia Department of Emergency Management has been notified. Suffolk Fire & Rescue is currently monitoring and assessing the situation, and there have been no mandatory evacuations of residences, and Wilroy Road remains open at this time.

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