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On 03-11-2023 at 3:33 AM, Tipp City Fire & Emergency Services (TCFES) responded to 1414 Commerce Park Drive, for a report of a chemical salt bath on fire and an evacuation in progress. Upon arrival crews from Engine 31 found moderate smoke conditions inside the building and fire pushing through a vent on the roof. The fire was originally dispatched as a commercial structure fire and upgraded to a second alarm at the request by TCFES personnel.

Mutual aid units arrived and all TCFES personnel were recalled. The fire was contained to the machine and the vent piping for the machine. The crews confirmed that all the people working had evacuated from the building. The crews extinguished the fire, performed salvage and overhaul, ventilated the building and checked for extension on the roof decking. Mutual aid from Troy, West Milton FD, Union Township EMS, Elizabeth Township and Bethel all responded and performed well. TCFES is grateful for the response due to having a limited personnel on duty at the time of the fire.

The fire is unintentional. The cause of the fire is automatic control failure as part of the machines' processing. Personnel at the factory are to be commended for initiating an evacuation of all personnel.

No injuries were reported at the time of the fire by anybody.

Crews were on the scene for approximately 2 hours.