

Press Release

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Incident: On November 8, 2021, at approximately 1116 hours the Sycamore Fire Department was dispatched to Tate and Lyle, 1631 S Prairie Dr. for automatic fire alarm activation. Upon arrival, employees advised that there was a fire in a dust collection ventilation duct. Crews pulled a 2 ½" attack handline into the building and after an investigation, the fire was located in a mixing machine, and extinguished. Crews remained on scene performing overhaul and checking for fire extension in the duct work.

The following agencies responded to assist with the fire: DeKalb Fire and the Sycamore Police Department.

No injuries to employees or firefighters were reported. There was approximately \$100,000 in damages to manufacturing equipment. The fire appears to be accidental.