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**Evening Explosion in SeaTac**

**SeaTac, Wash. - March 21, 2016** -Just after 9 PM last night, Kent RFA responded to a house on the 16800 Block of 31st Place South in SeaTac. When the first unit arrived, light smoke was seen so a residential fire was alarmed in order to get more resources on site. Kent Regional Fire Authority, South King Fire Rescue, King County Medic One, SeaTac Police Department/King County Sheriff's Office were all on scene. Puget Sound Energy also assisted.

There were several hot spots but no active fire. Fire crews performed searches of the house and found it to be clear of any occupants. The cause of the explosion is believed to be due to a butane hash oil extraction process. However the details surrounding the explosion are still unknown. Due to safety concerns because of the condition of the house, the investigation was postponed until daylight hours. A Kent RFA unit remained on site to maintain a fire watch until the investigation resumed.

There were four occupants of the home and all were able to evacuate the house. One occupant suffered injuries during the explosion and was transported via Medic One to a local hospital. Another resident was transported to a local hospital via ambulance due to breathing difficulty. The Red Cross was requested to assist since all four residents were displaced. The home owner returned early this morning and was relieved to find her two cats with no visible injuries.

This case is still under investigation. There is no damage estimate at this time.

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