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6 People Displaced by Electrical Fire at Seatac Apartment Building

SeaTac, Wash. - February 1, 2016- Residents of an apartment in the 3200 block of S. 176th St. in the City of Seatac were awakened early this morning by the smell of smoke. The resident noticed the smell, a light haze in the room and then charring around an electrical outlet and called maintenance who then called 911 at 6:15 this morning. The first arriving fire department emergency unit reported that it appeared there was a possible fire in the wall of the first floor unit and proceeded to "open" the wall where they found charring and burnt wiring. Firefighters continued to "open" walls to determine the extent of the electrical fire and to insure the fire was out.

The cause of the fire was determined to be an electrical problem and was ruled accidental by the Kent Fire Investigator. No estimate of the damage was provided.

Two families (6 people total) were displaced from their 2 apartments by the fire. One family is staying with friends locally and the other is being provided a temporary apartment in the same complex while that apartment undergoes repair.

No injuries were reported to either residents or firefighters.

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