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Tanker 2 3,750-gallon Tanker Sylvania FD, Sylvania, Alabama

Facts & Figures...

- Tanker 2 is a 3,750-gallon tanker operated by the Sylvania Fire Department located in DeKalb County, Alabama.
- The 1989 tanker had a former life as a construction site watering truck and was retrofitted to serve as a FD tanker.
- It has a small, PTO-driven pump left over from its previous duty as a watering truck.
- Tanker 2 has a 10-inch rear dump and dual, 3-inch direct fill lines.
- The tanker does not carry a dump tank.
- The Sylvania FD protects a small, rural area of northeastern Alabama.

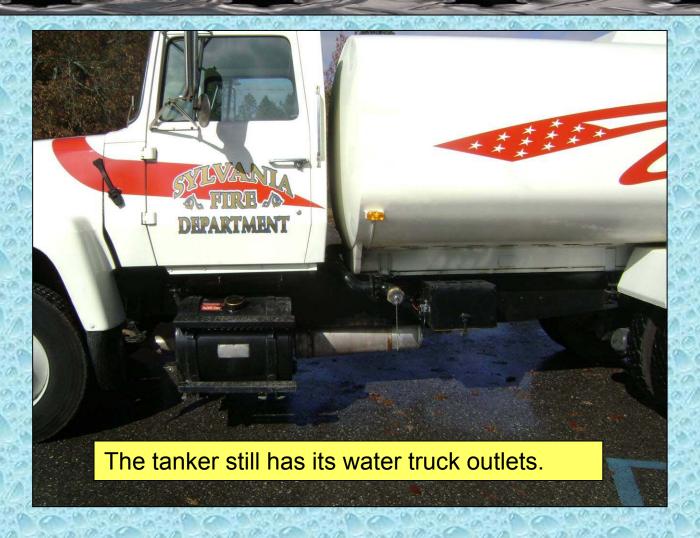


Tanker 2 is built on a Ford L8000 chassis and is powered by a diesel motor.



The tanker was retrofitted with a big dump valve and direct fill lines so that it could serve as a FD tanker.

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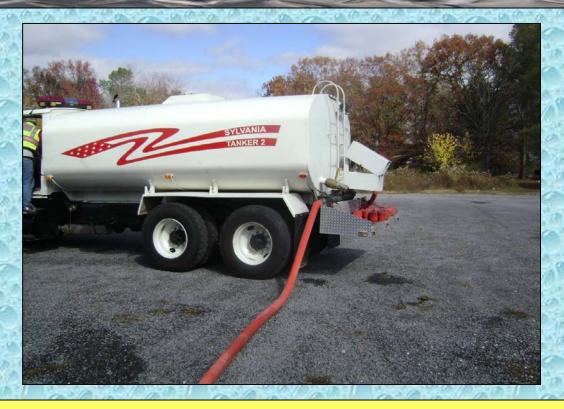


Tanker 2 is shown here being filled at a recent water supply drill in Sylvania.

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The tanker's 10-inch dump off-loads the rig's 3,750-gallons in a very short time.



The tanker is shown here pumping off its water in a nurse tanker operation. However, the problem was that the tanker's small pump could not keep up with the flow that was being demanded by the attack pumper. The tanker switched to a dump and run operation and flow was then supported by a dump tank operation.



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