Big Water Incidents

Apartment Complex Fire
Red Bank, Tennessee
February 15, 2004

Story and Photos by Captain Lee Hustead, Red Bank FD.





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Facts & Figures…

- The photos and story for this Big Water Incident were provided by Captain Lee Hustead of the Red Bank, Tennessee Fire Department. Captain Hustead was a long-time friend and teaching partner of Larry Davis.
- The Red Bank FD is well-known for its ability to maximize the water supply process.
- The fire shown in this presentation was an apartment fire in Red Bank where big water operations helped support an aggressive stop on the fire.
- No 2-1/2-inch supply lines here!!!

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The Front Side



Picture taken at 12:47 PM. Deluge gun in front had just been shut down. Deluge gun was used to knock down fire on third floor hallway so fire fighters could enter apartments on second floor to check for occupants, 7-Engine is to the left of picture.

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Laying a Line to the Rear



Picture taken at 12:47PM. Hose Truck-1 is laying 600 feet of 5 inch hose from 7-Engine to 2-Engine in rear of Building.

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The Rear Doesn't Look Much Better



Picture taken at 12:48 PM from rear of Building. Chief Burnett is in Command, Captain Hustead has Rear Sector. Apartments on third floor at each end have been entered in an attempt to stop the fire and also to search for occupants .

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3rd Floor is Well-Involved



Picture taken at 12:48 PM. 5 inch hose from 7-Engine is being connected to 2-Engine.

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Fire in the Rear is Knocked by Deluge Gun



Picture taken at 1:00 PM. Deluge gun off of 2-Engine has just been shut down, deck gun is still in operation. Fire fighters will re-enter 2nd floor apartments to check for fire drop down and also spread salvage covers.

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Handlines Used Also



Picture taken at 1:00 PM. Side B. Note 1 ¾ inch line on stairway. This line was used in the initial attack to stop fire in attic.

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Elevated Master Stream Used



Picture taken at 1:01 PM. East Ridge Ladder Pipe in operation. After 2-Engine shut down Deck Gun operation, hand lines were use on third floor to knock down fire and also to check for extension on second floor before using ERFD ladder pipe.

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Dallas Bay Hose Truck



Dallas Bay FD laid 1,000 feet of 5 inch supply line to East Ridge Ladder Truck. Line was laid from hydrant on Dayton Blvd. Dallas Bay's Hose Truck carries 4,000 feet of 5 inch hose.

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Red Bank 7-Engine



7-Engine hand laid 200 feet of 5 inch from hydrant at entrance to apartments, and supplied 2-Engine located in rear of building.

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Salvage Work



Salvage operations in Apartment Office. Computers and file cabinets have been removed to outside and covered with salvage covers. A total of 20 salvage covers were thrown in apartments.

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