

# Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety



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### Hazardous Materials Incident at Altex Technologies

SUNNYVALE, Calif. - On February 26, 2015, at 1333 hours, Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) Police and Fire personnel responded to Altex Technologies located at 244 Sobrante Way on a reported explosion and hazardous materials incident. Crews arrived on scene and evacuated the building which was shared with other businesses. Once the area was evacuated, hazardous materials personnel were able to enter the business and determine the air and environment was not dangerous. Approximately 90 minutes after the initial response, building occupants were allowed to return inside. Employees of Altex Technologies remained evacuated while a secondary inspection of their office space was completed.

Two Altex employees were working inside a manufacturing lab using hydrogen that reacted and caused the explosion. The two employees sustained minor burns to the face as a result of the explosion and were transported to Valley Medical Center after being treated on scene. The incident was contained to the manufacturing lab and there was no risk or danger to the public.

Altex Technologies is a research and development corporation providing engineering services that develops heat exchange and fuel cell technology. Sunnyvale DPS has not previously responded to this business.

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