



Western Gallup
Flare Fire notification
(C-141 Verbal)

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FYI...

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To whom this message may concern.

Beck Larsen (Western Refining SW- Gallup Refinery) called Carl Chavez today at around 11:25 a.m. to report a flare stack fire that is currently under investigation.

The fire was discovered at around 10:23 a.m. today and appears to be backflow from a hydrocarbon blow-down drum that overfilled and back flowed up a leaky flare stack pipe and caught fire. The fire was extinguished at around 10:38 a.m. by Western's fire crew and the fire marshal was on location.

An initial C-141 Report with complete information is forthcoming.

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