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Release date/time: **1420 hours, Thursday, July 08, 2010**
Incident: **Explosion**
Date/Time: **1350 hours, Thursday, July 08, 2010**
Location: **7830 Vantage Way, Delta**
DPD file: **2010-13607**

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Industrial Explosion Causes Injury

The Delta Police Department responded to a call of an explosion in Tilbury Industrial park at 1350 hours today. Zodiac Hurricane Technologies, the manufacturer of Zodiac inflatable boats and other products, at 7830 Vantage Way endured a small explosion in its factory. They use acetone in their manufacturing process and, for an undetermined reason, it appears this product erupted. Acetone is an organic compound that is highly flammable.

Delta Fire Department also responded but there was no fire to speak of. However they did assist with the injuries of one male employee, approximately 40 years of age, who suffered burns to an estimated 25% of his body and after assessment by Emergency Medical staff from BC Ambulance Services, he was airlifted to Vancouver General Hospital. No name will be released.

Work Safe BC will be investigating this incident supported by the Delta Police Department and Fire Departments.

The Delta Police Department would like to remind everyone who works with flammable or explosive materials to follow the manufacturers directions for usage and to wear proper safety gear.