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TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

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Abington Township Update on SPS Technologies Incident

ABINGTON, PA: As of February 22, 2025, at 3:53 PM, the fire at SPS Technologies located at 301 Highland Avenue **is extinguished.** This has been a herculean effort of fire and emergency management services. We cannot begin to express our gratitude to the over 100 various responding agencies who have assisted the Township in its efforts since Monday, February 17, efforts that have resulted in zero fatalities.

Now that the fire is extinguished, Abington Township's Fire Department (ATFD) will turn over the operations of the site back to SPS Technologies for reclamation and remediation efforts into the coming weeks. The fire investigation by the Abington Fire Marshal in partnership with the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives is underway.

During this time, their environmental contractors will conduct remediation efforts and perform air and water monitoring in coordination with the Township and federal, state, county and local agencies. The EPA continues to monitor air quality and **the monitoring equipment has not detected levels of contaminants of public concern.** Per the DEP's website, www.dep.pa.gov/SPSTechnologies, water sampling of the Tookany Creek will be ongoing and final sample results will be posted when available. Results from the February 19, 2025, water sampling remain pending. **Public drinking water supplies are not at risk.**

SPS Technologies has created an informational website for the incident at www.spsupdates.com and has established a community hotline for questions, comments, or concerns. Residents can call 215-572-3326 or email contactSPS@pccairframe.com.

There is absolutely no trespassing on the site. Sections of the SPS Technologies building are structurally compromised and it is an active investigation scene. Highland Avenue in the area of SPS will be closed for the foreseeable future. A full list of road closures and detours are available at www.abingtonpa.gov/SPSupdates.

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At this time, **no further press conferences or press releases are planned**. The Township is continuing to work on updating its webpage, www.abingtonpa.gov/SPSupdates, with frequently asked questions and resources. Information will be posted at www.abingtonpa.gov/SPSupdates and on Township social media on Facebook and Instagram @AbingtonTownship and on X @AbingtonPA.

Please sign up for notifications about emergencies, disasters, and community information through Ready Montco Alert System at <u>readymontco.org</u>.

For media inquiries, please contact Ashley McIlvaine, Assistant Township Manager, at amcilvaine@abingtonpa.gov or 267-536-1004.