

Truck Fire Statement/Recount of Events

Pre-Work:

Events from when the truck was unlocked.

Driver unlocked the truck went through the everyday pre-trip inspection. After pre-trip was finished and establish everything was in good operating condition, I drove to my farm shut off the truck and preformed morning chores.

On Way to Work:

After completing personal tasks, I got back into the truck and drove to the gas station to retrieve personal items on the way to our Location. (Truck was turned off and then restarted at the gas station).

At the :

After arriving at I cleaned trash out of the truck and then fueled it. (Truck was turned off)

Following cleaning and fueling I unloaded material from the bed left over from the previous, once truck was ready, I hooked onto our trailer, preformed another pre-trip with the truck and trailer and verified were in good operation order.

Departing :

I left out of our shop and began route to the jobsite. I was driving well under the speed limit and had "tow haul" setting on in the truck made it several down when the events Began to happen as follows:

out of the norm to happen shortly after stopping at a stop sign.

I was going and the truck alarm sounded and the "*Low Fuel Pressure Light*" came on, then followed by the "*Reduced Engine Power*" message on the dash. I began slowing down immediately. Then the truck shut off right before I came to a complete stop. As I was slowing down and edging to the side of the road, I began checking my mirrors and saw nothing but smoke. I came to a safe stop, myself, and a coworker (passenger) got out to assess what was going on with the truck. At this time a 3rd party vehicle had stopped () and was yelling at us that the truck was on fire.

From my point of view (), I initially notice a trail of fuel underneath the middle of the truck, under the engine bay, the trail of fuel extended from that point as far as I could see from the direction I was driving. All of this went happened within or less.

Immediately after seeing the open flame, I attempted to put the fire out, at that moment it was under the engine when my fire extinguisher was depleted, in began to start up the pressure washer on our trailer we were hauling meanwhile the bystander was contacting to get the fire department rolling to assist.

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Once I began spraying the fire with water, I called our head mechanic () to very quickly what was happening. Fire quickly spread from middle lower portion of the engine bay and began working its way into the cab of the truck on the drivers side. Eventually the fire melted the hood and fender so I directly able to spray under the hood. The fire at this point had spread to underneath the dash, at that moment I moved the water source to the dash, the arrived at the time I was fighting the fire. Once the flames were out, I continued spraying water until the smoked stopped.

The fire department then arrived and made sure the fire was out and was not at risk of reigniting. Shortly after fire department left arrived and we assisted him in cleaning up the mess of melted aluminum body panels and plastic from the roadway.

There were reported during this incident

People on Scene: (at time of Incident)

Driver:

Passenger:

3rd Party Bystander:

Responding FD:

Responding Sherriff: Case:

& Recovery:

Called at s: (during incident)

Shop Superintendent:

Safety Coordinator:

Reported to Scene: (after phone call to Shop Superintendent)

Safety Director:

PC Division PM:

PC Division Superintendent: