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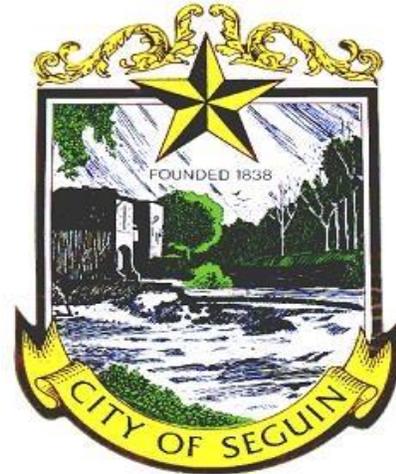
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## **Two Injured in Industrial Incident**

### ***Victims Airlifted from CMC Steel Texas***

**UPDATE (8/4/14 11:45 a.m.)** – Commercial Metals Company released the following statement Monday morning:

*At approximately 5:00pm Sunday evening, August 3, CMC Steel Texas in Seguin, Texas experienced a ladle spill in the melt shop. The incident resulted in injuries to two employees who were airlifted to the San Antonio Army Medical Center in San Antonio at approximately 5:45pm.*

*The plant was briefly evacuated as a standard precautionary measure. “Our primary concern is for the wellbeing of our two employees and their families”, commented Matt Brace, Vice President Central Region, CMC Americas Division.*

*Operations have resumed in the rolling mill and the melt shop will remain down several days while a thorough investigation is conducted into the cause of the incident.*

Future media inquiries should be directed to CMC or the Guadalupe County Fire Marshal’s office.

**ORIGINAL: SEGUIN, Texas** – An incident at CMC Steel Texas Sunday evening resulted in a small fire and two burn victims being airlifted to the hospital.

The incident occurred in a melting room at approximately 5:30 p.m. One victim suffered severe burns to 60-80 percent of his body and was in critical condition when airlifted from the scene. The

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second victim suffered severe burns to his hands. His condition was not immediately available. Both victims' burns were caused by molten material.

The McQueeney Volunteer Fire Department and Seguin Fire Department responded to the scene. When firefighters arrived, the facility's main gas line was shut off as a precautionary measure. Shortly after shutting off the line, a gas release valve activated, prompting firefighters to back off until the gas company could remedy the situation. Once back in the building, the small fire was quickly extinguished.

Employees were briefly evacuated from the immediate area of the incident, however no off-site evacuations were ordered. CMC Steel Texas will release a statement soon.

**About the City of Seguin**

Seguin, Texas is located along Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational, and employment opportunities. Seguin's robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2009, Seguin was proud to be selected by Caterpillar as the site of a major new engine manufacturing facility.