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News Release

For Immediate Release

Contact: PIO Mike Page
Date: 02-02-08
Address: 2790 Crossroads Blvd
Name of Business: Grand Vista Hotel
Alarm Type: Structure Response
Time Dispatched: 12:25 AM
Time on Scene: 12:32 AM
Control Time: 1:15

The Grand Junction Fire Department responded to report of alarm in the hotel. Further reports indicated there was a fire on the first floor. 7 units and 20 personnel responded to the to Grand Vista Hotel, 2790 Crossroads Blvd. E-12, first unit on scene found the first floor evacuated of occupants. There are 20 rooms on the first floor of which 16 were occupied. 7 of the rooms did not have occupants in the room at the time of the fire. 9 rooms were occupied and 25-30 were evacuated to the lobby area of the hotel. Room 130 was where the fire started on the nightstand next to the bed. There was one occupant in room 130 sleeping at the time of the fire but was able to escape without injury due to the sprinkler system activation in his room. The sprinkler system extinguished the fire prior to the arrival of firefighters. 6 rooms were damaged by water from the sprinkler system. Only one sprinkler head was activated by the heat of the fire in

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room 130. Two toilets were pulled to assist with water removal and the sprinkler system for the first floor was shut down on the first floor only. The occupants of the hotel were relocated to rooms on other floors of the hotel and 10 of the occupants opted to go to another hotel for the night. The sprinkler system was made functional for the other floors of the hotel.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation. There were no injuries to occupants or firefighters due to the fire. Damage is estimated at \$50,000.00 for structure and contents.

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