

PRESS RELEASE

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Fire at Prayon

At approximately 8.15 p.m. on Wednesday, 7 April 2010, a fire broke out in a chimney in one of the plants on Prayon's Engis site. The facility in question did not contain any hazardous products and had been shut down one week earlier for maintenance work.

The internal fire-fighting team proceeded to the scene immediately, with the local fire brigade and police arriving shortly thereafter. As a precaution, access to the site was restricted and the Liège-Namur rail line was temporarily closed.

Black smoke could be observed but at no time was there any danger to personnel, local residents or the environment. Nobody was injured.

The emergency services reported that they had the fire under control by 9.45 p.m. A team will remain on-site overnight to monitor the facility.

An inquiry is under way to determine the exact cause of the fire.

We would like to apologise to local residents and rail users for any inconvenience cause by this incident.

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