



Press Release

August 22, 2021 at 10:00 p.m.

Fire Destroys Sections of Jamalco's Powerhouse

Halse Hall, Clarendon: A major fire which broke out at Jamalco's Powerhouse on Sunday, August 22 extensively damaged that section of the Refinery in Hayes, Clarendon. The fire began at approximately 3:00p.m.

The Powerhouse produces power, compressed air and steam for the refining operations.

Four units from the Jamaica Fire Brigade supported Jamalco's Fire Department to extinguish the blaze and to assist with the cooling down operations.

No one was seriously injured in the incident but seven employees who suffered from smoke inhalation were treated at Jamalco's Medical facility.

Based on an initial assessment, significant damage has been done to the Powerhouse.

A full assessment of the damage will be done in coming days to determine the cause of the fire and estimate the full extent of the damage. Additional information will follow.

Jamalco mines bauxite and refines it into alumina which is exported from its Rocky Point Port. Jamalco is a joint venture between General Alumina Jamaica Limited (a member of the Noble Group) and Clarendon Alumina Production Limited, a Jamaican Government owned company.

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