



News Release

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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT – Overturned Tandem Trailer Closes Route 60 & Butterfield Road

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –The Countryside Fire Protection District responded to a report of a tandem trailer that had rolled over on its side at 6:18 a.m. on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, on Route 60 at Butterfield Road. The trailer containing hazardous materials had begun to leak due to the rollover, and a second level Hazardous Materials Box Alarm was called. The Lake and McHenry County Hazardous Materials Team arrived on the scene to assist with the identification of the hazardous materials and to mitigate the leak. The team entered the trailer and 4 tanks were found; two containing 300 gallons each of potassium hydroxide and two containing 300 gallons each of phosphoric acid. Once the leak was stopped, the rest of the product was offloaded by a clean up contractor. The trailer was restored to an upright position, and the rest of the cargo was stabilized. The incident was approximately 7.5 hours. Members from approximately 17 departments assisted with the incident and covering additional calls during the duration of the incident.

