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### **UPDATE ON FIRE AT DUCO INTERNATIONAL, SLOUGH**

The incident at Duco International in Slough has now been closed by Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service (RBFRS).

Fire crews carried out a re-inspection of the premises on Eastbourne Road in the Slough Trading Estate, at 8pm last night and again at 7am this morning before the incident was finally closed.

Six appliances attended the scene after a series of 999 calls reporting an explosion at 10am yesterday (Monday). All staff were accounted for and were evacuated from a meeting at the other end of the site to the explosion. No casualties were reported apart from one Duco employee with a minor injury to his eye.

The explosion occurred in plant in a compound adjacent to the main building and away from the area used for storage of chemicals. A RBFRS fire investigation officer has begun his investigation and the results of his report will be passed on to the police and the Health and Safety Executive. It is not known at this stage how long it will take for the full investigation to be completed.

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