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## Jenkintown Borough Provides Update on SPS Technologies Fire Debris Management

**JENKINTOWN, PA (February 20, 2025, 5:00 p.m.)** – Jenkintown Borough officials are providing an update to residents regarding debris management and mitigation following the fire at SPS Technologies, which began on the evening of Monday, February 17, 2025.

All residents in Jenkintown Borough who encounter debris from the fire are instructed to call 911. The Jenkintown Police Department is logging all debris-related calls, and personnel will address every location over the next several days during business hours. Inspections are scheduled to begin soon.

A team consisting of the Borough Fire Marshal and an environmental contractor secured by SPS Technologies will conduct inspections. Residents may request an air quality test inside their homes during the visit. Otherwise, the team will inspect the debris for evidentiary purposes. Residents are encouraged to document debris with photos and, if there is property damage, to contact their homeowners insurance. It is advised not to touch or remove any debris.

Priority for debris inspection will first be given to the Jenkintown School District property, followed by residences within the evacuation zone. Every location will be addressed.

Jenkintown Police Chief Tom Scott stated, "We understand that this situation brings uncertainty and concerns to our community. Please know that we are fully committed to addressing every question and ensuring the safety and wellbeing of our residents. We appreciate your patience as we work through this incident and move forward with recovery efforts."

There are no drinking water quality or air quality risks to the public at this time. However, residents are advised to avoid the area surrounding SPS Technologies, located at 301 Highland Avenue. Due to the incident and damage to the building, the area is considered dangerous. Fencing, barricades, and security personnel are in place to ensure public safety.

Abington Township's website remains the primary source of information regarding the SPS Technologies fire. For press releases, FAQs, and links to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) website, please visit <u>abingtonpa.gov/SPSupdates</u>. SPS Technologies has also established a community hotline at 215-572-3326 and can be reached via email at <u>contactSPS@pccairframe.com</u>.

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