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131 Church, place of worship	361 Prison or jail, not juvenile 571 Gas or service station
161 Restaurant or cafeteria	419 X 1-or 2-family dwelling 599 Business office
162 Bar/Tavern or nightclub	429 Multi-family dwelling 615 Electric generating plant
213 Elementary school or kindergarten	439 Rooming/boarding house 629 Laboratory/science lab
215 High school or junior high	449 Commercial hotel or motel 700 Manufacturing plant
241 College, adult education	459 Residential, board and care 819 Livestock/poultry storage(barn)
311 Care facility for the aged	464 Dormitory/barracks 882 Non-residential parking garage
331 Hospital	519 Food and beverage sales 891 Warehouse
Outside	936 Vacant lot 981 Construction site
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Ladder 5 closed and locked the front door, and left the scene at 1444 hours.

FP1 was contacted at 1505 hours and advised that we did not locate any suspicious containers.

A separate report was written for this investigation as well.

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Investigation:Origin and Cause Investigation - 10-0003979

Date: 04/23/2010

Address: 2515 GEORGETOWN BLVD /ANN ARBOR, MI 48104

FDID: 08101

Alarm Date: 04/23/2010

Incident #:10-0003979

Case Status: 2 Investigation closed

Status Date: 04/26/2010

Investigators:

Laboratories Used:

128 DOUGLAS WARSINSKI

Initial Observations:

Other Investigative Info:

Narrative:

04/28/2010 08:02:39 DWARSINSKI

SUMMARY:

At 7:36 a.m. on Friday, April 23, 2010, I was assigned to investigate a house fire at 2515 Georgetown, Ann Arbor, Michigan that was reported to the Ann Arbor Fire Department at 1:02 a.m. that day. I arrived at 7:50 a.m. and found Inspector Reka FARRACKAND, Ann Arbor Fire Department, standing by at the scene with Ann Arbor Police Detectives Dave MONROE, Bill STANFORD and Detective Lieutenant Mark ST. AMORE.

The house involved in the fire is a single-family, two-story, wood-frame, colonial style house identified as City of Ann Arbor parcel I.D. #09-09-14-205-021 owned by Abhinand and Vanika LATH since 9/1/2004. The house is a 1966 sq.ft., 4 bedroom , 2 ½ bath, home, with 4 additional rooms on the first floor. The unfinished basement is 775 sq.ft. and the undamaged attached garage is 399 sq. ft.

The LATH's and their two children were at home and asleep at the time of the fire and escaped. The fire appeared to have originated in the kitchen area. The house was a total loss from the fire.

INVESTIGATION:

Witness Interviews:

1. LATH, Abhinand, owner, occupant

I interviewed LATH, A at the scene of the fire on April 23, 2010

I asked LATH, A if he could recount the events of the evening prior to the fire. He said that he and his family had dinner that was prepared on the stove at around 6:30 p.m. that previous evening. He and his wife Vanika were home in the evening with their two children, Anudtara (daughter) 6-years-old and Ateesh (son) 3-years-old. There was also a caregiver, Angela Herrera, there until about 7:30 p.m. He said he went to bed before his wife at approximately 9:30 p.m.

He said and his wife woke up just after midnight when they woke up upon hearing a loud crash and thought that Anudtara fell out of her bed. When they got out of bed they saw the heavy smoke in the hall. His wife escaped the house with their son down the stairs through the front door. He went to Anudtara's bedroom and woke her up to get her out but when he attempted to escape he could not make it down the stairs through the smoke so he exited out the window on to the outside ledge and proceeded to the garage roof and then to the ground.

Both occupied bedrooms are in the front of the second floor of the house. Anudtara's room is the Northeast room of the second floor and the rest of the family slept in the Southeast room.

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There are 4 bedrooms and two baths on the second floor. LATH, A also said he moved the new Volkswagon from the garage without keys by putting it in neutral and allowing it to roll out across the street

I contacted LATH, A an additional telephone interview on April 25, 2010 I asked Lath if he could meet me at the house at 10:00 a.m. on Monday and sign a "consent to search" for the Arson K-9 to examine the house for evidence of ignitable liquids and he agreed. I also asked him what materials covered the vestibule kitchen and dining room floors and the stairs. He told me the floors were tiled from the front door through the kitchen and that he removed the carpet from the stairs and the remainder of the house and returned it to hardwood.

2. LATH, Vanika, owner, occupant (wife of Abhinand) I interviewed LATH, V at the scene on April 23, 2010

Vanika LATH said she went to bed about 30 minutes after her husband. She said that they woke up upon hearing a crashing noise. She said she took Ateesh out the front door while her husband went to get their daughter. Upon exiting the front door, she observed that the garage door was open. She said she distinctly remembered closing the door at 8:30 p.m. the previous evening. She said that she left the interior door between the garage and house closed but unlocked.

I asked LATH if they used any candles for decorative or religious purposes in the house and she said no that she did not allow smoking or any type of open flame. I asked her if any appliances were left on in the kitchen and she said she started the dishwasher at around 8:30 p.m. and that they had a crock pot style food warmer next to the stove. I asked her if there were ay plastic items in the dishwasher and she said the kid's dishes were plastic and that they used a lot of Tupperware type containers because they carried their lunches to work.

I asked her about laundry and she said she washed a load of clothes the previous morning but had not used the dryer since Wednesday night. She told me they did not use the stacked washer-dryer in the kitchen but used the washer and dryer in the basement.

I contacted LATH, V an additional telephone interview on April 25, 2010 I asked LATH if she had seen any flames or felt any heat when she exited the house the night of the fire. She said no and that she just had trouble breathing in the smoke. I asked her what the brand name was of their dishwasher and she said it was a "Kenmore." She said the dishwasher was installed prior to their purchasing the house.

- 3. RUPPEL, Robert, Lieutenant, Ann Arbor Fire Department Ladder 5, 1st arriving fire apparatus
- I interviewed RUPPEL on Sunday, April 25, 2010.

RUPPEL said that upon his arrival, he found a fully involved room fire immediately inside the vestibule about 4 feet in from the door. He said the burning was at floor level causing him to be concerned about basement involvement. They attacked the fire with a 1 %" pre-connect line supplied by tank water. During the attack he said he could visibly see the fire move around the house as a result of the fire attack. RUPPEL said they ran out of tank water prior to a hydrant supply being established and they were ordered out of the house. Once the water supply was established they attacked the fire again with multiple crews and hand lines. RUPPEL said that the fire department shut off the utilities while operating on the scene but he did not remember which crew did this.

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Scene Examination:

I examined the outside of the house and could see where the flames extruded from the back windows upward underneath the roof soffit causing the fire to spread into the attic. There were large debris piles where the firefighters tossed out burned items during overhaul. The garage was intact and suffered little interior fire damage. There was a gas can in the southeast corner of the garage that appeared ½ full of liquid as well as what appeared to be containers of motor oil. The garage door opener was a Lift Master, Formula I, Whisper Drive. I examined the fuse box with Detectives MONROE, STANFORD, and Lt. ST. AMORE. I found the main shut off and the following breakers tripped; #18 dishwasher, #19 kitchen, #23 B-stair/garage, #12-15 washer/dryer (unknown which). STANFORD and I concluded that the garage door could have operated on its own during the fire if the circuit was overloaded.

Damage to the basement was limited to accumulated water. The entire roof was burned away and the second floor appeared to have a "fall-down" fire started from the roof debris. The family room and living room had high heat damage. Virtually all drywall was removed from the kitchen, nook, family room area.

The dining room had charring between the ceiling joist where the metal light fixture penetrated the drywall. The lintel above the entry from the kitchen to the dining room had flame damage indicating high level flame spread from the kitchen into the dining room.

MONROE, ST AMORE and I examined the kitchen and found the over-the-stove microwave and exhaust fan on the floor in the center of the kitchen, all the stove knobs were melted but the groves were all in the same direction up which may be the "off" position. The cabinets above the stove were completely consumed by fire.

The dishwasher was totally destroyed with the metal frame warped from high heat. We found no plastic in the top dish rack but many ceramic bowls instead. The cabinet between the dishwasher and sink was burned away causing the sink to fall into the dishwasher.

The counter with cabinets adjacent to the dishwasher was completely destroyed. Damage was heavier on the side away from the dishwasher which may have been caused by the fire intensifying on that side when the front door was opened allowing fresh air into the fire or may be due to the use of thinner wood on the non-door side of the cabinets or both. There was a soffit above the counter top adjacent to the dishwasher that had the deepest charring on the wood leading away from the dishwasher.

I located the crock pot that was left on the counter adjacent to the stove. I examined the burned wiring which was intact but the insulation had melted away possibly cause by fire attack. I also examined the gas meter and found that the utility company had been there and locked it out.

After completing our examination of the fire scene, we allowed LATH, A back into the house to retrieve personal items such as jewelry boxes and his prescription eyeglasses.

K-9 EXAMINATION:

Garden city Fire Captain Ray WOLINSKI brought his arson detection K-9, DAKOTA, to the scene on Monday, April 26, 2010, to examine the scene under an Ann Arbor Fire Department Consent to Search signed by Abhinand LATH on April 26, 2010. DAKOTA search the first and second floor of the house but did not demonstrate and sign of an ignitable liquid.

ADDITIONAL:

On 4/27/2010, I met with Richard POLCYN of Polcyn Fire Consulting LLC. POLCYN is conducting an

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origin and cause investigation for the insurance company. He showed me several areas of cleared floor which he referred to as "pour" patterns. These area of burned floor appeared to be post-flash-over and fire attack burning and there were no saddle burns indicative of a ignitable liquid having been poured. He showed me a burn-through in the dining room floor which he attributed to an ignitable liquid. Burn-throughs can be caused by ignitable liquids or upholstered furniture burning in the area. There were remnants of an upholstered chair in that area. POLCYN said he took samples for lab analysis of these areas. I wanted to take "unbiased" examples for lab analysis at MSP so I asked POLCYN if I could take samples in the same areas he took samples from. He said any samples I would take on the first floor would not reveal the presence of an ignitable liquid because he had "washed the floor already." I took a sample from the upstairs hall that he claimed was "poured" near one of his other samples.

CONCLUSION:

Based upon fire pattern analysis, investigation of the fire scene, and witness statements, it is my opinion with a reasonable degree of professional certainty that this fire originated in the first floor kitchen area in the vicinity of the operating dishwasher. Possible causes combustible plastic coming into contact with the dishwasher heat element that was on at the time or possible malfunction of the dishwasher itself.

PHOTOGRAPHS:

Photographs taken at the scene on April 23, 2010 by WARSINSKI: P4200064 - P4210165

Photographs taken on April 27, 2010 by WARSINSKI: P4210166 - P4210178

EVIDENCE:

1. Sample #1 - floor and molding taken from the second floor hallway at the top of the stairs

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