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To: Aden L. Seidlitz, Acting New Mexico State Director

From: Victoria Barr, Farmington District Manager

Subject: 24 Hour Preliminary Report, Burned Firefighter

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Location: Perdida Fire, Farmington District, 22 miles NW of Taos, NM

Date of Occurrence: September 9, 2015

Time of Occurrence: Approximately 1700

Activity: Hand ignition with drip torch

Number of Injuries: 1

Number of Fatalities: 0

Property Damage: none

Narrative: While working on the Perdida Fire, a firefighter suffered burn injuries. The injured firefighter was transported from the scene via air ambulance to Albuquerque airport, then ground ambulance to the University of New Mexico Burn Center.

The BLM New Mexico State Office has requested a wildland fire accident investigation team and will work with New Mexico's Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department - State Forestry Division on a joint delegation of authority for the team.