

DuPont™ FM-200®

CASE HISTORY

AUSTIN QUALITY FOODS, CARY, NC

Fire protection system: Kidde® FM-200® fire suppression system

System designer/installer: Kidde® Finwal, Inc., Scotch Plains, NJ

Protected space

Computer operations area containing file servers, data communications equipment, paper files and computer operations work area.

Why FM-200® fire suppression

Austin's computer operations room contains sensitive equipment and files that are vulnerable to water and chemicals, as well as fire. The space is occupied during normal work hours, so Austin required fire protection that would be safe for both equipment and people.

Extinguishing event

A UPS unit in the computer operations room overheated and began to burn. The Kidde® FM-200® System cut power to the threatened area and discharged FM-200® into the room.

System performance

The UPS unit, where the fire started, was the only equipment damaged in the protected space. The quick response of the system minimized smoke damage, and the agent itself acted cleanly with no residue.

Recovery

After ventilating the computer operations room and repairing the UPS unit, Austin Quality Foods returned to normal operations.

“The Kidde® FM-200® System played a major role in minimizing the damage to our equipment and work area.”

Jeff Odom
Vice President of Information Services
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