

Survival Factors Group
Emergency Response Dispatch Recordings Excerpts

Railroad: National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak)
Train: Train 89
Location: Chester, Pennsylvania
Date: April 3, 2016
Number: DCA16FR007

Time	Speaker	Communication
0754	Dispatcher	Dispatches: Engine 81, Company 82, Chester 11 (a battalion chief), and available Crozier EMS units Amtrak corridor and Booth Street in Chester An accident with entrapment A train hit a backhoe
0758	Dispatcher	Dispatches: Ambulances 52, 17, and 48 Medics 407 and 457 Glouster County ambulance being alerted Amtrak corridor First street and Booth Street, Chester Accident involving a train Amtrak corridor, accident at Booth Street
0800		First on-scene arrival
0806	Dispatcher	Dispatches: Company 68 Accident involving an Amtrak train Amtrak Corridor and Langley Street in Trainer
0807	83-7	Has walking wounded next to the tracks Has a small fire on the tracks, and a lot of fuel
0810	Trainer Car 1	Responding to the accident
0810	Dispatcher	Company 17 assist with Gator vehicle Amtrak Corridor and Booth Street in Chester Directed with Gator to 9th and Langley in Trainer to assist with accident
0814	83-7	Has checked the train Is about half way down the accident site Has one level 3 walking wounded Has located one fatality Will continue to check the tracks
0815	Chester 11	Requests a report of units onscene Dispatch responds: 457, 837, 107, 527a, 177a, 57, 627, 487a 100T enroute
0817	Medic 83-7	Has located a second fatality Will continue to search for victims
0823	Unknown	Four people on board the "train" at the bridge; no injuries
0825	Medic 83-7	Per the work foreman for Amtrak, all victims have been located
0827	Unknown	Has a large amount of fuel at 6 th and Booth. There was a fire, but it burned itself out.
0833	Medic 83-7	Has a patient for transport at 4 th and Booth Dispatch reports one patient has been transported
0836	177a/162	Enroute to Crozer

0837	Unknown	Suggestion to use a church next to the railroad for those not injured and not being transported
0840	Medic 527a	Enroute to Crozier
0845	Medic 83-7	Asks for on-call critical incident teams to respond and help the work crew
0846	Medic 100 Transport Medic 100	Has five more patients for evaluation Two more ALS and four more BLS will be needed Start sending patients with minor injuries to hospitals other than Crozier
0847	Unknown	Has about 12 more patients for evaluation
0849	Dispatcher	Medic 237 and medic 147 dispatched for the second alarm Glouster County and New Castle County ambulances notified
0851	Medic 100	Has about 12 to 15 more patients for evaluation Requests a medic unit to assist a patient at the train
0852	Medic 83-7 Medic 100	Requests an update on the ambulance for the patient at 6 th and Booth States that he will send another one right away
0855	Unknown	The church has been opened to use as a shelter
0859	Unknown	One ambulance directed to 6 th and Booth. Others directed to staging and advised to prepare for immediate transports.
0908	Medic 83-7	Will be assisting the medical examiner at the site
0910	Medic 81-7	Last patient has been removed from the train