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- 2 ENGINE 7: Engine 7 to Ladder 10, give me bolt cutters.
- 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
- 4 COMMAND: Command to Ladder 15 Officer.
- 5 LADDER 15 OFFICER: Ladder 15 Officer.
- 6 COMMAND: Move your apparatus off of this street. I
- 7 want this street clear for medic units if we need them. Clear all
- 8 that apparatus off of these streets in a clear shot.
- 9 LADDER 15 OFFICER: Affirmative.
- 10 COMMAND: Command to Ladder 10 Officer. Ladder 10
- 11 Officer.
- 12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: This is (indiscernible) my cell
- 13 phone. I couldn't (indiscernible).
- 14 COMMAND: Command to Communication.
- 15 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 16 COMMAND: Have them notify Amtrak, and have them shut
- 17 down Amtrak's Northeast Corridor immediately. We have people on
- 18 the track. We have a major incident with several cars rolled
- 19 over.
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 21 RESCUE 1: Rescue 1 Officer (indiscernible).
- 22 ENGINE 7 Officer: Engine 7 Officer to Command.
- COMMAND: Command. Go ahead, 7.
- 24 ENGINE 7 OFFICER: We're going to need multiple,
- 25 multiple medic units.

- 1 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 2 Command to Communication.
- 3 ENGINE 7 OFFICER: Also, boss, we're going to need ES
- 4 officers.
- 5 COMMAND: Command to Communication.
- 6 COMMUNICATIONS: Communication.
- 7 COMMAND: Joe, I want you to strike out the second alarm
- 8 and dispatch 5 additional medic units and -- make that 10. The
- 9 side that we're on, we're going to, we're going to sector this as
- 10 the West Division, and we want to make an East Division also. We
- 11 want to make people go to the area of Wheatsheaf Lane where we
- 12 were last week, 2121 Wheatsheaf Lane. That's going to be another
- 13 access point. At this time it appears that we have at least seven
- 14 or eight rail cars derailed with multiple casualties and multiple
- 15 patients here.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 17 COMMAND: Again, Joe, ensure that Amtrak's Northeast
- 18 Corridor is shut down, and we need somebody from Amtrak to make
- 19 sure that the wires are de-energized.
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 21 COMMAND: Command to Battalion 8.
- 22 BATTALION 8: Battalion 8. Proceed.
- 23 COMMAND: Rodney, I want you to go to 2121 Wheatsheaf
- 24 Lane, and you're going to be the East Division.
- 25 BATTALION 8: Can you repeat?

- 1 COMMAND: You'll be the East Division on 2121 Wheatsheaf
- 2 Lane.
- 3 BATTALION 8: Affirmative, East Division.
- 4 COMMAND: Command to Communication.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: Communication.
- 6 COMMAND: Joe, make sure you keep that road clear for
- 7 the medic units to come in and out. We're going to be
- 8 transporting multiple patients.
- 9 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 10 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Pipeline 52 Officer to Command.
- 11 COMMAND: Command. Go ahead, 52.
- 12 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Chief (indiscernible), Wheatsheaf
- 13 and Frankford on a hydrant, staging. Where do you need us?
- 14 COMMAND: At this time we're not going to need a water
- 15 line. We want you to bring your manpower, all four, all four
- 16 members to the scene.
- 17 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: That's affirmative.
- 18 LINE 28 OFFICER: Line 28 Officer to Command.
- 19 COMMAND: 28, go ahead.
- 20 LINE 28: Chief, there's a gate right there at Sedgley
- 21 and Frankford that takes us right to the, right to the scene of --
- 22 we're going to pop these gates, and we'd be able to get medic
- 23 units up here pretty close.
- COMMAND: All right, that's affirmative. Continue that
- 25 operation.

- 1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The gates are open at Frankford
- 2 and Sedgley. They're already open.
- 3 LADDER 10: Ladder 10 to Command.
- 4 COMMAND: Go ahead, Ladder 10.
- 5 LADDER 10: Chief, I have at least seven to eight people
- 6 trapped. I need Rescue 1 and the squad company to lead off with
- 7 their jaws to assist me in trying to extricate these patients.
- 8 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. We're going
- 9 to have to make each one of these cars a separate operation. What
- 10 car are you on, by number?
- DEPUTY 2: Deputy 2 to Battalion 10.
- 12 BATTALION 10: Battalion 10.
- DEPUTY 2: Vince, what's your location?
- 14 BATTALION 10: I'm on the track at the end of the water
- 15 line that's stretched to this location.
- DEPUTY 2: All right. Specifically, give me a little
- 17 better than that. I'm down under the bridge at Frankford.
- 18 BATTALION 10: All right. I'm in the Frankford Yard on
- 19 the Northeast Corridor Amtrak. We talked -- Wheatsheaf Lane to
- 20 the end.
- 21 DEPUTY 2: All right. That's affirmative.
- SQUAD 72: Squad 72 to Command.
- COMMAND: Command, go ahead.
- 24 SQUAD 72: 72 on the fire ground. Orders?
- COMMAND: We're going to need your extrication equipment

- 1 at the scene. We have at least a half a dozen cars, multiple
- 2 people trapped.
- 3 SQUAD 72: Roger that, en route.
- 4 COMMAND: Command to all companies operating at this
- 5 scene. Be advised that these wires are still energized. Stay
- 6 away from any energized wires.
- 7 DEPUTY 2: Deputy 2 to Battalion 10.
- BATTALION 10: Battalion 10.
- 9 DEPUTY 2: As I said, Vince, I'm on Frankford Avenue
- 10 under the bridge. Do I want to head east and back around towards
- 11 Wheatsheaf and come up?
- 12 BATTALION 10: That's affirmative. You should come,
- 13 come Frankford Avenue up Wheatsheaf, and you'll see my car and
- 14 Engine 7, Ladder 10.
- 15 DEPUTY 2: Affirm --
- 16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: There's access to the scene from
- 17 Valetta and Coral, Valetta and Coral, there's, there's gates.
- 18 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Rescue 1 Officer to Command.
- 19 COMMAND: Command, go ahead.
- 20 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Chief, we're on the fire ground now.
- 21 What's the best way to get to your location?
- 22 COMMAND: You can come off of Frankford Avenue and down
- 23 Wheatsheaf. It's in the Frankford Junction area.
- LINE 28 OFFICER: Line 28 Officer to Command.
- 25 COMMAND: (Indiscernible), go ahead.

- 1 LINE 28 OFFICER: Chief, we're right -- we're at Sedgley
- 2 and Frankford at that gate. We're right on the other side of the
- 3 building on the tracks. We're triaging patients now -- patients,
- 4 and multiple wires down across the tracks.
- 5 The squads could come right through the gate at Sedgley
- 6 and Frankford and get all -- they'd be right on the other side of
- 7 the tracks here.
- 8 COMMAND: That's affirmative. Your point's going to be
- 9 Frankford and Sedgley?
- 10 LINE 28: That's affirmative. The gate's right in front
- 11 of our apparatus.
- 12 LADDER 10: Ladder 10 to Command.
- 13 COMMAND: Go ahead, Ladder 10.
- 14 LADDER 10: Chief, you're looking for the train number.
- 15 I'm at train number 81528. That's 81528. I got at least seven,
- 16 eight people that need extrication at this location.
- 17 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. But be
- 18 advised, we got -- still don't have a handle on how much -- how
- 19 wide of an area is covered or how many cars are involved. I'm
- 20 going to say this is probably up to about a dozen cars.
- 21 LADDER 10: Affirmative.
- 22 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- ES-9: ES-9 to Communications.
- 24 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 25 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.

- 1 COMMAND: Joe, do we have Amtrak on the line to make
- 2 sure we have this Northeast Corridor shut down for SEPTA trains,
- 3 Amtrak, and all other freights? All, all rail has to be shut
- 4 down.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. I've, I've touched
- 6 base with them. I'm going to go one more time (indiscernible).
- 7 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 8 Command to ES-9.
- 9 ES-9: ES-9.
- 10 COMMAND: ES-9, we're going to have casualty collections
- 11 being done at two places. One is going to be on Wheatsheaf Lane
- 12 and the other one is going to be at Frankford and Sedgley. We're
- 13 going to have to start splitting our EMS forces up between those
- 14 two points.
- 15 ES-9: That's affirmative, sir. Be advised, right now,
- 16 we're collecting patients right out on -- beside Battalion 10's
- 17 car on 2000 block of Coral Street.
- 18 COMMAND: That's affirmative. That'll be casualty
- 19 collection and triage.
- 20 Command to Communications.
- 21 LADDER 16 OFFICER: Ladder 16 Officer to Command.
- 22 COMMAND: Yeah, go ahead, Ladder 16.
- 23 LADDER 16 OFFICER: Chief, I'm at Frankford and Butler
- 24 right now. Where do you need us?
- 25 COMMAND: Go to Frankford and Sedgley and assist Engine

- 1 28 at that location.
- 2 BATTALION 8: Battalion 8 to Command.
- 3 COMMAND: Go ahead, Battalion 8.
- 4 BATTALION 8: I'm on location, headed down your way.
- 5 COMMAND: That's affirmative. You can coordinate your
- 6 area at Frankford and Sedgley. You'll have 28, Ladder 16 and
- 7 yourself right now, and start some more resources of your area.
- 8 Command to Deputy 2.
- 9 DEPUTY 2: Proceed.
- 10 PIPELINE 52: Pipeline 52 to Command.
- 11 COMMAND: Yeah, what's your location?
- 12 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Pipeline 52 Officer to Command.
- DEPUTY 2: Pipeline 52, stand by.
- Deputy 2 to Command, proceed.
- 15 COMMAND: Yeah, what's your location?
- DEPUTY 2: I'm coming up from Frankford Avenue and
- 17 Sedgley, walking through the lot, heading towards where all the
- 18 (indiscernible) is, where they're cutting, I believe.
- 19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
- 20 ENGINE 7: Engine 7 -- Engine 7 to (indiscernible).
- DEPUTY 2: All companies stand by.
- Deputy 2 to Battalion 10.
- BATTALION 10: Battalion 10, go ahead.
- DEPUTY 2: Did you copy my message?
- 25 BATTALION 10: No, repeat it.

- 1 DEPUTY 2: I'm coming up from Sedgley, from Frankford
- 2 and Sedgley through the lot under -- towards the helicopter with
- 3 the -- towards the poles that are down.
- BATTALION 10: All right. That's affirmative. You'll
- 5 be on -- you're on the east side at this point. We're on the west
- 6 side.
- 7 DEPUTY 2: All right. That's affirmative. I'll be up
- 8 there momentarily. Should I come around to the other side?
- 9 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Pipeline 52 Officer to Deputy 2.
- 10 DEPUTY 2: Proceed.
- 11 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Chief, just be careful when you
- 12 come in that way. Got a lot of wires down, and that's where the
- 13 poles are leaning. I don't know if they got the power shut down
- 14 on this yet. Also, we got people that can't move and we need to
- 15 get some medics back here if we can on the west side right where
- 16 the, where the cars are off the rail.
- 17 DEPUTY 2: Affirmative.
- Deputy 2 to Battalion 10.
- 19 BATTALION 10: Battalion 10, go ahead.
- 20 DEPUTY 2: Vince, I'm going to take Battalion 8, and I'm
- 21 going to put him down on this side, and we have people coming out
- 22 of here, probably 30 people coming out this way right now. We
- 23 need to make sure they all get collected and checked out and
- 24 whatnot.
- 25 BATTALION 10: All right. That's affirmative.

- 1 (Indiscernible) about 50 patients on our side at this time.
- DEPUTY 2: I did not copy. It was all broken up.
- BATTALION 10: Be advised. I have about 50 patients on
- 4 my side at this time. I just struck out the third alarm, and I
- 5 have them staging. And I have a total of 15 medic units
- 6 proceeding in right now. We're going to need a better way to like
- 7 help these walking wounded and some of these (indiscernible) out
- 8 of here. Also, I have not done a 360 yet. I'd like to do that
- 9 now.
- DEPUTY 2: All right, Vince. What we need to do is
- 11 we're going to organize the fire ground. We're going to have an
- 12 East and West Division. Right now, you're on the east side,
- 13 correct?
- 14 BATTALION 10: I believe I'm on the west side at this
- 15 time. I'm on the side closest to Engine 7 station.
- DEPUTY 2: All right. You're on the Walmart side of the
- 17 track, so you're on the east side. We're going to make you the
- 18 East Division.
- 19 BATTALION 10: All right. That's affirmative.
- DEPUTY 2: All right. Command, correction.
- 21 Deputy 2 to Battalion 8.
- BATTALION 2: Battalion 2 to Command.
- DEPUTY 2: Stand by, Battalion 2.
- Deputy 2 to Battalion 8.
- BATTALION 8: Battalion 8, proceed.

- 1 DEPUTY 2: Rodney, I want you to take West Division.
- 2 That's going to be off of Frankford Avenue near division
- 3 (indiscernible) car. I want you to work with -- once we get the
- 4 EMS officers on here, we're going to have to split everything up,
- 5 East and West Division, and get everybody checked out. We're
- 6 going to have to run two different locations for getting the
- 7 casualty collection points. Affirmative?
- 8 EMS: EMS to Command.
- 9 DEPUTY 2: Battalion 8, did you copy?
- 10 BATTALION 8: Yeah, Battalion 8, I copy, Frankford
- 11 Avenue, Command.
- 12 BATTALION 2: Battalion 2 to Command.
- DEPUTY 2: Deputy 2 to Communications.
- 14 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 15 DEPUTY 2: Deputy 2 to Communications.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- DEPUTY 2: Joe, Deputy 2 will be assuming Frankford
- 18 Avenue command for this incident. Battalion 10 is now East
- 19 Division. Battalion 8 is West Division. At this point assess
- 20 what EMS resources we have coming in. They need to be split
- 21 between the two sides. We have casualty collection points on both
- 22 sides. We're going to run two divisions to handle this incident.
- 23 We have multiple casualties coming out from each side. We have
- 24 50-plus on the west side, undetermined on the east side at this
- 25 point.

- 1 WEST DIVISION: West Division to Command.
- 2 COMMAND: Proceed, West Division.
- 3 WEST DIVISION: (Indiscernible) east side. We need
- 4 multiple ladders over -- any ladders you can give us, we
- 5 appreciate on the east side.
- 6 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 7 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 8 COMMAND: Let's look at our resources and let's assign
- 9 some personnel to the west side to Battalion 8 West Division
- 10 supervisor for the resources that he needs. Affirmative?
- 11 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 12 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 13 BATTALION 2: Battalion 2 to Command.
- 14 COMMAND: Command. Proceed.
- 15 BATTALION 2: This is Battalion 2, I'm staged at Coral
- 16 and Wheatsheaf. Where do you want me? I'm second in on the
- 17 second alarm.
- 18 COMMAND: All right. Battalion 2, what I need you to do
- 19 is work with, work with EMS on formulating all our casualty
- 20 collection, our transportation group and whatnot, and we need to
- 21 make sure all our entrance and exits are clear.
- 22 RESCUE 1 DRIVER: Rescue 1 Driver to Rescue 1 Officer.
- 23 BATTALION 4: Battalion 4 to Command.
- 24 COMMAND: Command to Deputy 2's Aide.
- EMS: EMS to Command.

- DEPUTY 2: Deputy 2 to Deputy 2's Aide.
- DEPUTY 2's AIDE: Deputy 2's Aide.
- 3 DEPUTY 2: Kevin, you're going to need a guy, EMS, up
- 4 where I came up through that field. It's easier for you to do
- 5 that than for me to describe it. I have 100 or so people coming
- 6 out that way. We're staging them all in the lot and towards the
- 7 tracks from here, but they're all on their way out, varied levels
- 8 of injury.
- 9 DEPUTY 2's AIDE: All right. So that's the lot where I
- 10 (indiscernible)?
- 11 DEPUTY 2: That's affirmative. And what we need to do
- 12 is the next street up from where you were, if EMS could make the
- 13 right, come up there and get very close with their vehicles, if
- 14 need be. We're going to need them for some.
- DEPUTY 2's AIDE: Affirmative.
- 16 COMMAND: Command to Battalion 2.
- 17 BATTALION 2: Battalion 2, proceed.
- 18 COMMAND: Tommy, at this point, you're going to be west
- 19 side safety officer. Affirmative? West side safety officer. You
- 20 have from the tracks back to Frankford Avenue.
- 21 BATTALION 2: That's affirmative. I am the safety
- 22 officer on the west side from the tracks to Frankford Avenue.
- 23 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 24 Command to Communications.
- 25 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.

- 1 COMMAND: What's the next in chief on the second alarm?
- 2 BATTALION 4: Battalion 4 to Command. I'm on location
- 3 on the east side. What do you need?
- 4 COMMAND: Need you to work your way up towards the
- 5 tracks. You're going to be the assistant safety officer.
- 6 Battalion 2 is the safety officer. You're the assistant safety
- 7 officer. Affirmative?
- 8 BATTALION 4: That's affirmative.
- 9 72 DRIVER: 72 Driver to 72 Officer. Why don't we go to
- 10 heavy rescue ops?
- EMS: EMS to Command.
- 12 COMMAND: Command to East Side Division.
- 13 EAST DIVISION: East Division.
- 14 COMMAND: Vince, I'm making my way towards you now. It
- 15 looks like over 100 people are going towards the west side. I see
- 16 a bunch down towards you where the rail cars seem to be off the
- 17 track further.
- 18 EAST DIVISION: Yeah, that's affirmative. Be advised, I
- 19 have confirmation that the Northeast Corridor is shut down. And
- 20 also, these wires on the tracks that are down and the catenary are
- 21 all hot.
- 22 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 72 DRIVER: 72 Driver to 72 Officer.
- 24 COMMAND: Command to 72's Driver. You and 72 and
- 25 Rescue 1 all go to rescue op.

- 1 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 2 COMMAND: Command. This is Command. Proceed.
- 3 ES-6: Yeah, I'm near the tracks (indiscernible).
- 4 COMMAND: Say again?
- 5 SQUAD 47: Squad 47 to Operations.
- 6 COMMAND: Squad 47, there is no Operations. What do you
- 7 need?
- 8 SQUAD 47: We're arriving on the fire ground, boss.
- 9 What do you have for us?
- 10 COMMAND: Stand by one moment before you come in.
- 11 Command to East Side, the East Division.
- 12 EAST DIVISION: East Division.
- 13 COMMAND: Vince, do you need 47's over there?
- 14 EAST DIVISION: That's affirmative. We have multiple
- 15 extrications in progress. We can use them on the Wheatsheaf Lane
- 16 green side. Also, I'm in the process of trying to get a 360, or
- 17 at least a shot from the, from the sky to see what this looks
- 18 like, how big this really is.
- 19 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative.
- 20 Command to Squad 47, did you copy?
- 21 SQUAD 47: I copy, Wheatsheaf Lane.
- 22 COMMAND: That's affirmative. You're going to go
- 23 around, like, towards the Walmart area, the back of the Walmart,
- 24 on Wheatsheaf Lane, and that looks like it's going to be your
- 25 entrance back in there. You're going to assist Battalion 10, the

- 1 East Division supervisor, with his extrication procedures.
- 2 Affirmative?
- 3 SQUAD 47: That's affirmative.
- 4 BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command.
- 5 COMMAND: Command, proceed.
- 6 BATTALION 9: On location. Orders?
- 7 COMMAND: All right. Repeat your unit?
- BATTALION 9: Battalion 9.
- 9 COMMAND: Jeff, what I need you to do right now is stand
- 10 by while I figure out where we got to get some EMS personnel. We
- 11 got to bring some forward. We're going to have to have a forward
- 12 collection point. We're going to need stretchers and whatnot all
- 13 the way up at the crash scene. Affirmative?
- BATTALION 9: That's affirmative.
- 15 COMMAND: All right. Jeff, you need to work with ES --
- 16 I don't know who we have right now. Let's find out the senior EMS
- 17 officer and get with them, and let me know. We need at least one
- 18 stretcher right away, and probably a few more up here. So we have
- 19 resources in staging. Let's get some companies out of staging and
- 20 bring them up with the stretchers up to the scene. The easiest
- 21 way may be from the east side, which will be over behind the
- 22 Walmart. We need to make sure our resources are getting split
- 23 between each side. Work with the EMS supervisor on that.
- BATTALION 9: That's affirmative.
- LINE 28 OFFICER: Pipeline 28 Officer to Command.

- 1 COMMAND: Repeat your unit.
- 2 LINE 28 OFFICER: Pipeline 28 Officer. Be advised, we
- 3 have two 5292 victims in the third car. I'm working on getting
- 4 you a car number. They're pinned underneath.
- 5 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 6 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative.
- 7 ENGINE 70 OFFICER: Engine 70 Officer to Command.
- 8 COMMAND: Engine 70, proceed.
- 9 ENGINE 70 OFFICER: Train car 43346 is cleared.
- 10 COMMAND: All right. Right now, that's not going to
- 11 help me too much, Bry (ph.), but we need to assess the bigger
- 12 picture right now so I can (indiscernible) which one you're
- 13 talking about. Just give me a few minutes and we'll get back to
- 14 you.
- 15 ENGINE 70 OFFICER: That's affirmative.
- 16 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 17 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 18 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 19 COMMAND: Joe, what EMS resources, as far as supervisory
- 20 personnel, do we have on scene?
- 21 WEST DIVISION: West Division to East Division.
- 22 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command. Our
- 23 collection point for EMS will be at Wheatsheaf and Frankford.
- 24 COMMAND: Joe, I want the senior EMS officer to call me
- 25 on the radio.

- 1 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 2 LINE 28 OFFICER: Pipeline 28 Officer to Command.
- 3 COMMAND: ES-6, proceed.
- 4 ES-6: Yeah, I'm on location. I'm at the
- 5 (indiscernible).
- ES-3: ES-3 to Command.
- 7 COMMAND: Command to ES-6.
- 8 BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command, I am with ES-6.
- 9 He's having some radio problems. What's your message?
- BATTALION 4: Battalion 4 to Command, priority.
- 11 COMMAND: Proceed.
- 12 BATTALION 4: I'm over here on the east side with SEPTA
- 13 personnel. They're saying the tracks are shut down, but they
- 14 advise people stay away from the wires till SEPTA personnel comes
- 15 down and they ground it and absolutely make sure that they are
- 16 dead.
- 17 ENGINE 13: Engine 13 to Command.
- 18 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 19 All companies ensure only priority messages are
- 20 transmitted at this point in time.
- 21 ES-6: ES-6 to ES-9.
- 22 ES-9: ES-9.
- 23 ES-6: Yeah, Tony, I need you to set up triage
- 24 operations in the -- behind Pipeline 28.
- BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command.

- 1 ES-9: ES-9 to ES-6.
- 2 COMMAND: Command to Battalion 9. Jeff, proceed.
- 3 BATTALION 9: Yeah, we have -- we're going to need a
- 4 fire department unit at Frankford and Sedgley to assist with the
- 5 walking wounded. I am on location with ES-6 at this time.
- 6 COMMAND: All right. Jeff, from Frankford and Sedgley,
- 7 up into that lot -- Deputy 2's Driver can point that out to you --
- 8 we have I think over 100 walking wounded and some a little worse
- 9 than others over in that area. We need a major portion of our EMS
- 10 contingent on that side. Right now, we're in rescue mode up here
- 11 at the track level. We have multiple cars in different
- 12 configurations. We'll work until we've cleared all these folks
- 13 off the, off the -- from the incident.
- BATTALION 9: That's affirmative.
- 15 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 17 COMMAND: Give me a rundown on remaining units in
- 18 staging. If we don't have it, then the next available unit
- 19 officer will be the staging area manager, and you can monitor what
- 20 we have in the staging area. Right now, our need is for personnel
- 21 up at the scene.
- 22 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. Stand by.
- ES-6: ES-6 to ES-9, did you copy my message?
- 24 ES-9: ES-6, ES-9. Be advised, we have a casualty
- 25 collection and triage area at Battalion 10's car in the 2000 block

- 1 of East Coral.
- 2 ES-6: Affirmative. Can you move a couple litters up to
- 3 Pipeline 28's local -- the entrance to the, the incident. We have
- 4 some, some litter patients that have to be carried on
- 5 (indiscernible).
- 6 ES-9: Unavailable at this time, sir. We're parked next
- 7 to Engine 7, and we're still receiving patients coming off the
- 8 track. They're being triaged and treated as we speak. Is it
- 9 possible to move EMS Med 3?
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Affirmative.
- 11 LINE 28: Line 2-8 to Battalion 2.
- BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to ES-6, what's your location?
- 13 ES-6: ES-6.
- BATTALION 9: Kevin, what's your location?
- 15 ES-6: I'm moving toward Pipeline 28, see if I can
- 16 wrangle some of these -- or corral some of these walking wounded
- 17 into a cohesiveness line.
- 18 COMMAND: Pipeline 28, which division are you assigned
- 19 to?
- 20 Command to Rescue 1.
- 21 Command to Communications.
- 22 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 23 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 24 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- COMMAND: I need priority on what we have with resources

- 1 and staging.
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. I have Engine 38's
- 3 Officer. He'll be the manager of the staging area. He will give
- 4 me a report on who we have in staging. I just assigned him. He's
- 5 walking back to staging at this time.
- 6 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative, Joe. My
- 7 priority right now is I can use some more souls at the scene, and
- 8 I'm just trying to ascertain the resources to see if we can do it
- 9 or not.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. As soon as he
- 11 tells me who's in staging, I'll let you know.
- 12 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 13 Command to Rescue 1 Officer.
- 14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 10-12.
- 15 ES-6: ES-6 to Command.
- 16 COMMAND: Command to ES-6, proceed.
- 17 ES-6: Hey, Chief, I need an engine company to assist
- 18 with leading the walking wounded to another area.
- 19 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 21 COMMAND: The next available unit that's available for
- 22 manpower, send the up the way. Deputy 2's Aide should point that
- 23 out to you. It's on the east -- correction -- west side on
- 24 Frankford at Sedgley through the lot where most of the walking
- 25 wounded are being staged right now.

- 1 COMMUNICATIONS: Frankford and Sedgley. That's
- 2 affirmative.
- 3 DEPUTY 2'S AIDE: Deputy 2's Aide to Command.
- 4 COMMAND: Proceed.
- 5 DEPUTY 2'S AIDE: You do know that I am in Frankford and
- 6 Sedgley, correct? You do know that I am at Frankford and Sedgley,
- 7 correct?
- 8 COMMAND: I just told them to see you at Frankford and
- 9 Sedgley. Stay right there where I came up and point them up in
- 10 that direction.
- 11 DEPUTY 2'S AIDE: Affirmative.
- 12 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Communications.
- 13 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 14 SAFETY 1: I need to confirm that the power lines on the
- 15 track are shut down totally at this time.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirm. Stand by.
- 17 SAFETY 1: Also, I need to know who the safety company
- 18 is who's supposed to assist me on this incident.
- 19 COMMAND: You have no safety company designated.
- SAFETY 1: Affirmative.
- 21 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- ES-6: Proceed, ES-3.
- ES-3: All right. What's your location, Jeff?
- ES-6: I'm at Frankford and Sedgley.
- 25 ES-3: Okay.

- 1 COMMAND: Command to ES-6.
- 2 ES-6: ES-6.
- 3 COMMAND: All right. The majority of our personnel --
- 4 correction -- the majority of the people from the train are being
- 5 moved to the west side over at Frankford and Sedgley. We probably
- 6 have upwards of 150 people over there at this point.
- 7 ES-6: I confirm they're on -- at that location now.
- 8 TRIAGE: Triage to Medical Branch.
- 9 COMMAND: Command to Medical Branch.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All companies that -- all ladders
- 11 that are at staging are to report to the incident with saws. All
- 12 ladders that are in staging are to report to the incident with
- 13 saws.
- SOC-1: SOC-1 to Command.
- 15 TRIAGE: Triage to EMS Branch.
- 16 EMS BRANCH: EMS Branch, proceed.
- 17 TRIAGE: In the casualty collection area, we have
- 18 approximately 32 people of different classes.
- 19 EMS Branch, be advised, we also need manpower here at
- 20 the casualty collection area. And we have several criticals that
- 21 are awaiting transport.
- 22 COMMAND: EMS Branch from Command, that's affirmative.
- 23 (Indiscernible) requested additional medic unit resources.
- ES-9: ES-9, give me a count on how many additional
- 25 medic units you're going to need.

- 1 TRIAGE: Sir, I don't know how many we have here. I
- 2 have four medic units (indiscernible) personnel for triage,
- 3 casualty collections and treatment in the red and yellow treatment
- 4 area. I need to start transporting. I have no idea how many
- 5 people -- how many medic units are here ready for transport.
- BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command.
- 7 COMMAND: Go ahead, Jeff.
- 8 MEDIC 15: Medic 15, we're on location --
- 9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Are you trying to get through to
- 10 me.
- 11 MEDIC 15: -- at Frankford and Butler. Medic 15 at
- 12 Frankford and Butler.
- 13 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 14 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 15 COMMAND: At this time we have a report of 237 souls
- 16 that were on board at the time of this incident.
- 17 COMMUNICATIONS: 237 patients were on at the time of the
- 18 incident?
- 19 BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command.
- 20 COMMAND: Go ahead, Jeff.
- 21 BATTALION 9: Any chance we can get SEPTA buses here for
- 22 the walking patients so we can keep them in one area and we can
- 23 transport them if we need to.
- 24 COMMAND: Command to Communications. Request two sets
- 25 of -- correction -- make it three sets of buses if they can do it,

- 1 if they can spare it. Find out from our staging area manager what
- 2 would be the easiest access to get them here as close as possible
- 3 to where Deputy 2's vehicle was.
- 4 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Command.
- 5 COMMAND: Go ahead, Vince.
- 6 EAST DIVISION: What's the location of the command post?
- 7 COMMAND: I'm standing right on the east side right at
- 8 the tracks right where -- between the Conrail trains and these
- 9 vehicles right here, right in your area.
- 10 EAST DIVISION: All right. Be advised, the first three
- 11 trains are clear.
- 12 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. I was just
- 13 getting ready -- we have to assemble a team to go through. Once
- 14 we, once we feel they're clear, we have to back everybody away and
- 15 do a secondary search of everything. Affirmative?
- 16 EAST DIVISION: That's affirmative. And be advised,
- 17 there are multiple wires down in this area. All the wires are
- 18 hot.
- 19 COMMAND: All right. I'm under that catwalk up near the
- 20 train that's pretty much rolled over. Meet me on the east side of
- 21 that if you can. Meet me under the catwalk.
- 22 EAST DIVISION: All right. I'll be there in a couple
- 23 minutes.
- 24 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 25 COMMAND: Proceed, Joe.

- 1 COMMUNICATIONS: Approximately 237 souls were on the
- 2 train. Also, please notify us if you need them, we have two
- 3 helicopters above us for a better view.
- 4 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. What we could
- 5 use from them is their lighting from the choppers down on the
- 6 incident scene. Give us a lot more opportunity to work in, in
- 7 this area.
- 8 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. Stand by.
- 9 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Command.
- 10 ES-3: ES-3 to Command.
- 11 COMMAND: Command to East Division. Proceed.
- 12 EAST DIVISION: I'm in my -- I'm en route to your
- 13 location and I have OEM with me, OEM-1.
- 14 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. I'm right at
- 15 the front of the car towards the north, standing at the edge right
- 16 under the catwalk.
- 17 EAST DIVISION: I'm walking up from the south.
- 18 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative.
- SOC-1: SOC-1 to Command.
- 20 COMMAND: Command. Proceed.
- 21 SOC-1: Hey, Tone, this is SOC-1. For extrication, what
- 22 type rescue resources do you need, if any?
- 23 COMMAND: Murph, I have Rescue and one of the saw
- 24 companies up here and multiple different resources. I believe
- 25 we're okay at this point for any additional resources, but I'm not

- 1 positive. Let me assess, and I'll get right back to you.
- 2 SOC-1: That's affirmative.
- 3 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Command.
- 4 COMMAND: Stand by.
- 5 BATTALION 2'S AIDE: Battalion 2's Aide to
- 6 Communications.
- 7 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 8 BATTALION 2'S AIDE: I'm at Frankford and Wheatsheaf.
- 9 We got Medic 49, 42, 24 and 20 sitting here.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS: Say again, medic units at Frankford and
- 11 Wheatsheaf?
- BATTALION 2'S AIDE: That's affirmative, Medic 49, 42,
- 13 24 and 20.
- 14 COMMAND: Command to ES-6.
- 15 ES-6: ES-6, yes?
- 16 COMMAND: All right. Be advised, some of the people
- 17 have been taken out what would be north of the area that I was
- 18 getting most of the people out at, at what would be along the
- 19 catwalk north of the building. Some were taken out that way. We
- 20 need to make sure we have some personnel up there to make sure
- 21 they're taken care of.
- ES-6: What's that, off of Buckius?
- 23 COMMAND: Say again?
- 24 ES-6: Is that off of Buckius Street or Valetta?
- 25 COMMAND: If you were north on Frankford under the

- 1 bridge, you'd make the first right and go back into there, I
- 2 believe, to get you on the other side of that building.
- 3 ES-6: Okay. South of the incident?
- 4 COMMAND: All right. Just -- Command to Communications.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 6 COMMAND: We still have people that are trapped inside
- 7 the one rail car. We're working on extricating them at this
- 8 point. Once they're completely out, then we're going to do a
- 9 secondary assessment and make sure that everybody is clear of
- 10 every vehicle.
- 11 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. All companies on
- 12 this incident on Wheatsheaf and Frankford, we need manpower to
- 13 report to the dead-end of Wheatsheaf and Frankford Avenue. Please
- 14 report to the dead-end of Frankford Avenue. We need manpower down
- 15 at the dead-end of the track at Wheatsheaf.
- MC-1: MC-1 to Command.
- 17 ES-6: ES-6 to ES-9.
- 18 ENGINE 2 OFFICER: Engine 2 Officer to ES-9.
- 19 MC-1: MC-1 to ES-6.
- 20 ES-6: ES-6.
- 21 MC-1: I have MC-1 working our way towards Wheatsheaf
- 22 and Frankford. Can you help us out where exactly do you want me
- 23 to go?
- ES-6: Check with staging area manager.
- ES-3: ES-3 to Command.

- 1 RIT-3: RIT-3 to RIT-3 Officer.
- 2 RIT-3 OFFICER: RIT-3 Officer.
- 3 RIT-3: Your location?
- 4 RIT-3 OFFICER: I just passed Brentwood and
- 5 (indiscernible) and come up on that (indiscernible).
- 6 RIT-3: Repeat?
- 7 ES-3: ES-3 to Command.
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
- 9 RIT-3: RIT-3 to RIT-3 Officer.
- 10 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-9.
- 11 ES-9: Go ahead, Chief.
- 12 ES-3: What is your exact location over there, Joe?
- 13 ES-9: The far end of Coral Street just as you enter the
- 14 track area.
- 15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) Engine 38
- 16 Officer.
- 17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Tone, do you have -- you have
- 18 walking wounded over there? You have greens?
- 19 ES-9: Sir, I have no green established at this time,
- 20 only red and yellow.
- 21 ES-3: Okay, red and yellow. All right. And your
- 22 location is Coral and Frankford?
- 23 ES-9: Coral Street, east, east of Frankford.
- 24 SQUAD 17-SR: Squad 17 Search and Rescue to Squad 17
- 25 BPO-3.

- 1 RIT-3: RIT-3 to RIT-3 Officer.
- 2 RIT-3 OFFICER: I'm coming to your location.
- 3 RIT-3: Sedgley and -- Sedgley and Frankford.
- 4 BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Staging Manager,
- 6 Engine 38 Officer.
- 7 COMMAND: Command to ES-3 -- correction -- ES-6.
- 8 CAR 4: Car 4 to Command.
- 9 COMMAND: Command to ES-6.
- SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Command.
- 11 COMMAND: Safety 1, proceed.
- 12 SAFETY 1: Okay. I'm in the process of getting police
- 13 to secure and shut down Wheatsheaf Lane and Coral area to
- 14 Frankford Avenue, because now you have civilians coming in and
- 15 trying to sit down with the walking wounded.
- 16 COMMAND: I had asked that all walking wounded not clear
- 17 that lot, that they be maintained in the lot. I asked that of
- 18 police. They should not have let them and intentionally don't let
- 19 anybody in the lot. Affirmative?
- 20 SAFETY 1: Affirmative. That didn't happen. I'm in the
- 21 process of doing that right now.
- 22 COMMAND: All right. Do you need more police resources?
- SAFETY 1: I already got them. I also need a safety
- 24 company to go down with me so we can banner tape the area around
- 25 all the wires that are down because we can't confirm if --

1 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Staging Area Officer.

- 2 COMMAND: Command to Safety.
- 3 STAGING: Staging.
- 4 COMMAND: Command to Safety.
- 5 SAFETY 1: Safety, proceed.
- 6 COMMAND: Police supervisor, chief inspector is on his
- 7 way out to assist with keeping those people out.
- 8 ENGINE 71: Engine 71 to Safety.
- 9 SAFETY 1: Safety, proceed.
- 10 ENGINE 71: Chief (indiscernible) to Battalion 10, we're
- 11 (indiscernible).
- 12 STAGING MANAGER: Safety 1, Staging Manager, go ahead.
- 13 SAFETY 1: Meet me at Coral and Wheatsheaf. Bring all
- 14 the banner tape you have so we can secure the area around all
- 15 power lines that went down because we cannot confirm -- we've got
- 16 to cordon off this whole area, with civilians coming in and
- 17 sitting down with the wounded.
- 18 BATTALION 9: Battalion 9 to Command, priority.
- 19 COMMAND: Jeff, did I not -- didn't I give you a
- 20 designation?
- BATTALION 9: Negative.
- 22 COMMAND: All right. Meet me over on the east side. I
- 23 want you to work the extrication with me. Affirmative?
- 24 BATTALION 9: That's affirmative. On my way, but be
- 25 advised, I'm with Amtrak's head guy right now. They say that

- 1 there is residual power in the wires, make sure everybody keeps
- 2 clear of the wires, and also, we have a command post forming at
- 3 Deputy 2's car. We got Car 4 and Amtrak.
- 4 51 OFFICER: 51 Officer, priority.
- 5 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 7 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 8 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 9 COMMAND: Be advised, we've designated a command post to
- 10 be at the north end of the northern most car that's off the tracks
- 11 under the walkway. OEM, police and fire are located there.
- 12 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Command.
- 13 LADDER 15 OFFICER: Ladder 15 Officer to ES-3 or ES-6.
- 14 COMMAND: Command to East Division, proceed.
- 15 EAST DIVISION: Chief, we're out of resources in
- 16 staging. I need manpower in the East Division. We're clearing
- 17 the street. The medic units come from Frankford up Wheatsheaf and
- 18 stage on Coral. It's wide open.
- 19 COMMAND: All right. Affirmative.
- 20 Command to Communications.
- 21 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 22 COMMAND: We're out of resources. I need you to request
- 23 the next alarm for manpower and have them designate a staging area
- 24 down approximately Frankford and Castor area, and bring the
- 25 manpower forward. We have a lot of people up here that are going

- 1 to need a break here shortly. We're still working.
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) officer
- 4 (indiscernible).
- 5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
- 6 LADDER 15 OFFICER: Ladder 15 Officer to Communications.
- 7 COMMAND: Command to Battalion 9.
- BATTALION 9: Battalion 9, Chief.
- 9 COMMAND: Jeff, meet me at the command post. Going to
- 10 the northernmost car, east side under the walkway at the pillars.
- BATTALION 9: On my way.
- MC-1: MC-1 to Staging Management.
- 13 STAGING: Staging.
- 14 MC-1: Yes. I'm located right down Glenwood and
- 15 Frankford. Do you have any orders for me?
- 16 STAGING: Which company? Say again, please?
- MC-1: This is MC-1.
- 18 COMMAND: Command to East Division.
- 19 TRIAGE: Triage to EMS Branch.
- 20 COMMAND: Command to East Division.
- 21 Triage, stand by.
- 22 COMMAND: Command to Safety.
- SAFETY 1: Safety, proceed.
- 24 COMMAND: Tommy, broadcast the message the lines are
- 25 still hot. I want that broadcast every five minutes.

- 1 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 2 ES-6: ES-6.
- 3 ES-3: Yeah, we didn't take red in the police. We got
- 4 yellow. We're going to use these because we got these yellows.
- 5 We got to get them out of here.
- 6 ES-6: Okay. I'm almost at the casualty collection
- 7 point.
- 8 ES-3: All right. When you get over to the north side,
- 9 tell me how many yellows you have over there or reds.
- 10 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 11 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 12 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 13 COMMAND: Joe, that was (indiscernible), correct?
- 14 COMMUNICATIONS: Fourth alarm was struck, boss.
- 15 COMMAND: All right. That's affirmative. When they
- 16 arrive, let me know, and I'll assign them their positions.
- 17 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 18 CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 19 ES-3: Chief, upon your arrival at that command post, we
- 20 want to assess in the staging area how many medic units we have.
- 21 COMMAND: Command to East Division.
- 22 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Rescue 1 Officer to Command.
- 23 COMMAND: Command to East Division.
- 24 EAST DIVISION: East Division. East Division.
- 25 COMMAND: Command to Rescue 1 Officer.

1 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Rescue 1. Chief, we got one more

- 2 person to extricate from the second car. We got one coming out
- 3 now. We got one left.
- 4 COMMAND: All right. You're right at the north end of
- 5 that car that's on its side?
- EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- 7 RESCUE 1: That's affirmative, Chief. We're at the
- 8 north end and we only got one more person to get out. It's the
- 9 second car that's (indiscernible) rail.
- 10 CASUALTY COLLECTION NORTH: ES-6 -- Casualty Collection
- 11 North to Transportation.
- 12 SAFETY 1: Attention, attention, all companies on the
- 13 fire ground, this is Safety 1. All be advised the power lines are
- 14 still energized on the tracks. All lines on the tracks are still
- 15 energized. Treat them as energized.
- SOC-1: SOC-1 to Command.
- 17 PIPELINE 62: Pipeline 62 to Communications.
- 18 EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4. EX-2 to Car 4.
- 19 PIPELINE 62: Pipeline 62 to Communications.
- 20 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 21 CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 22 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 23 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 24 COMMAND: All right. At this point I still have all
- 25 companies operating in multiple facets on the incident scene. We

- 1 have one more person we believe is viable. We're working on
- 2 getting them out right now and bringing them out the east side.
- 3 Command to ES-4.
- 4 ES-9: ES-9, go ahead, Command.
- 5 COMMAND: Command to Car 4.
- 6 CAR 3: Car 3 to Command.
- 7 COMMAND: Command to Car 3, proceed.
- 8 CAR 3: Tony, I'm on location. I'm here to meet you at
- 9 your convenience.
- 10 COMMAND: I didn't catch the last part, Chief.
- 11 CAR 3: When you're ready, come talk to me.
- 12 COMMAND: All right. Well, I'm up at the north side
- 13 here with OEM, police and everybody else. We have the command
- 14 post set up here at the incident scene.
- 15 CAR 3: All right. I'm looking for you.
- 16 PIPELINE 62: Pipeline 6-2 to Communications.
- 17 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 18 PIPELINE 62: On the fire ground, Castor and Amber.
- 19 Your orders, sir?
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Proceed south -- correction -- proceed
- 21 north on Frankford Avenue to Sedgley. Then head east towards the
- 22 incident. We need your manpower.
- 23 PIPELINE 62: Affirmative. East on Sedgley from
- 24 Frankford.
- ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.

- 1 BATTALION 2 OFFICER: Battalion 2 Officer to Command.
- 2 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Rescue 1 Officer to Command.
- 3 EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- 4 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Communications.
- 5 CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 6 EX-2: All right. I set up two casualty collection
- 7 areas. ES-6 is in charge of Casualty Collection North. ES-3 is
- 8 in charge of Casualty Collection South. All your walking wounded
- 9 and minors are being removed from the train and they're heading
- 10 there now. I am going to need a couple of medic units to stand by
- 11 for some serious patients that we're extricating now.
- 12 CAR 4: Affirmative.
- ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 14 CAR 4: ES-3, go ahead.
- 15 ES-3: Yeah, Chief, so we moved out, pretty much
- 16 cleaning up on our patients down here, on the yellow patients
- 17 (indiscernible) the police vans. And this is at the casualty
- 18 south triage, Frankford and Sedgley.
- 19 CAR 4: Affirmative. Any SEPTA buses around on the fire
- 20 scene yet?
- 21 BATTALION 2'S AIDE: Battalion 2's Aide. We have two
- 22 SEPTA buses just arrived on location at Frankford and Wheatsheaf
- 23 Lane.
- 24 CAR 4: Affirmative.
- 25 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to ES-6.

- 1 ES-6: ES-6.
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS: Temple can hold -- can take no more
- 3 patients. Say again, Temple can take no more patients.
- 4 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 5 ES-6 to Transportation.
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) to ES-6.
- 7 STAGING: Staging to ES --
- 8 EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4 --
- 9 ES-6: ES-6 --
- 10 CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 11 EX-2: All right. I'm going to need three medic units
- 12 dedicated to the train for the serious patients. I only have one
- 13 right now.
- 14 CAR 4: Car 4 to Communications.
- 15 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 16 CAR 4: Request four more medic units at this time,
- 17 three to Frankford and Sedgley and one on the East Division.
- 18 Battalion 12'S AIDE: Battalion 12's Aide to
- 19 Communications.
- 20 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 21 CAR 4: Car 4.
- 22 ES-3: Okay, Chief. In the Frankford and Sedgley
- 23 location, we have about 40 -- I'd say 40 to 50 green patients,
- 24 walking wounded. We're going to have them walk down to the
- 25 Wheatsheaf's Lane location to get on the SEPTA buses.

- 1 CAR 4: All right. I'm standing right beside the bus.
- 2 It's making its way down to you now.
- 3 ES-6: ES-6 to Medic 17 Driver.
- 4 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: Medic 17 Driver. I'm behind a police
- 5 wagon. I have six patients in here. We're trying to figure out
- 6 what hospital we're supposed to transport to. Police wagon 701.
- 7 ES-6: Are you near your apparatus?
- 8 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: That's affirmative. I'm relatively
- 9 close to police wagon 701, six patients that need to be
- 10 transported. They need a hospital to transport to.
- 11 ES-6: Are they green-tagged?
- MEDIC 17 DRIVER: Can you please repeat that?
- ES-6: Are they Class 3 -- are they green-tagged
- 14 patients?
- 15 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- MEDIC 17 DRIVER: That's affirmative.
- 17 CAR 4: Car 4.
- 18 ES-3: Just want to confirm that location. It is
- 19 Wheatsheaf and Frankford?
- CAR 4: Affirmative. The bus is right here. I'm
- 21 walking right beside it, coming in your direction, Sedgley.
- 22 ES-3: Okay. They're on their way.
- 23 BATTALION 12'S AIDE: Battalion 12's Aide to ES-6.
- ES-6: ES-6.
- BATTALION 12'S AIDE: Chief, I have a patient on a

- 1 stretcher in front of the locomotive up here off of Wheatsheaf
- 2 Lane. I don't -- do not have any medics up here. I need a hand.
- 3 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 4 ES-6 to ES-3.
- 5 ES-3: Okay. Let me see what I can do for you.
- 6 ES-6: ES-6 to the Medic 17 Driver.
- 7 SOC-2: SOC-2 to SOC-1.
- 8 ES-3: ES-3 TO ES-6.
- 9 ES-6: ES-6.
- 10 ES-3: Okay. I'm going to send Medic 1 up to you, but
- 11 you got to give me some directions on getting up there.
- 12 ES-6: Okay. The best way to enter is to come around
- 13 North (indiscernible) and come back down.
- 14 ES-3: Repeat?
- 15 ES-6: The best way is to come down from north of my
- 16 location, north of --
- 17 TRIAGE: Triage to Communications.
- 18 SAFETY OFFICER 1: Safety Officer 1 to Communications.
- 19 SOC-2: SOC-2 to SOC-1.
- 20 ES-6: ES-6 to ES-3.
- 21 SAFETY OFFICER 1: Safety 1 to Communications.
- SOC-2: SOC-2 to SOC Command.
- 23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hey, Jerry, just put the state
- 24 truck into staging.
- 25 COMMAND: Command to Communications.

- 1 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 2 COMMAND: Do we have any companies in staging at this
- 3 point?
- 4 COMMUNICATIONS: Stand by. Engine 38 Officer,
- 5 Communications, Engine 38 Officer.
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Staging, right now I'm at
- 7 Glenwood and Frankford looking for units.
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That's affirmative.
- 9 ES-6: ES-6 to Medic 17 Driver.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS: Any units in staging or near staging,
- 11 report to Wheatsheaf and Frankford Avenue.
- 12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) Pipeline 61.
- 13 COMMUNICATIONS: Head east to the dead-end.
- 14 SAFETY OFFICER 1: Safety Officer 1 to all companies on
- 15 the fire ground, the power has been shut down, but it's not
- 16 grounded; it's not safe to touch yet. There's no trains running
- 17 on the tracks. There'll be no more train traffic. In about 15
- 18 minutes, the system will be grounded.
- 19 CAR 3: Attention on the fire ground, this is Car 3. I
- 20 have command. All companies in operation will make their reports
- 21 to Operations, Chief Sneidar (indiscernible).
- 22 ES-6: ES-6 to Medic 17 Driver, priority.
- 23 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: Medic 17 Driver. I am inside Medic
- 24 17's truck.
- ES-6: Report to ES Medic 17's apparatus immediately.

- 1 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: I am in Medic 17's apparatus at this
- 2 time.
- 3 ES-6: Affirmative. Pull it up on to Coral Street.
- 4 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: Affirmative.
- 5 OPERATIONS: All fire units up at the incident scene
- 6 that are not mission essential at this current moment, in other
- 7 words, not in the act of extrication or rescue, please move to the
- 8 northeast side of the first track -- correction -- first car, and
- 9 stage there with your complete units and report to Chief Thompson
- 10 (ph.). He will be forward staging area manager.
- Operations to Communications, did you copy that?
- 12 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- OPERATIONS: Operations to Command.
- 14 RIT-3: RIT-3 to Operations.
- 15 SOC-1: SOC-1 to Command.
- 16 ES-6: ES-6 to Medic 17.
- 17 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: Medic 17.
- 18 ES-6: Pull your medic unit onto Coral street.
- 19 MEDIC 17 DRIVER: That's affirmative. I have that
- 20 order. I have to have my team (indiscernible) shortly.
- EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- 22 CAR 4: Car -- Car 4. Go ahead.
- 23 EX-2: All right. There's four medic units that need to
- 24 enter from the north side, not the south side, and they can come
- 25 meet me.

- 1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) on location.
- 2 RESCUE 1: Rescue 1 to Rescue 1 Officer.
- 3 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: Rescue 1 Officer.
- 4 RESCUE 1: Abe (ph.), can you meet me at the, at the car
- 5 that we first met at?
- 6 RESCUE 1 OFFICER: That's affirmative.
- 7 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 8 CAR 4: This is Car 4. Go ahead.
- 9 ES-3: Chief, we're requesting a hospital update on the
- 10 status of how many patients they can handle.
- 11 CAR 4: Affirmative. We'll take care of that.
- 12 OPERATIONS: Operations to Command.
- 13 COMMAND: Command.
- 14 OPERATIONS: Operations to Command.
- 15 COMMAND: Command to Operations.
- OPERATIONS: Chief, just be advised, I've designated
- 17 Chief Murphy as the rescue group supervisor. He's going to work
- 18 specifically with the search and rescue of all the scene once we
- 19 get started here, do the exterior 360 and then do an interior of
- 20 all the area.
- 21 COMMAND: That's affirmative.
- 22 ES-6: ES-6 to ES-3.
- EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- CAR 4: This is Car 4.
- 25 EX-2: All right. I have dedicated to me at the train

- 1 Medic 2 and Medic 11 so far. I also need you to call me. I need
- 2 to talk to you.
- 3 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- 4 OPERATIONS: Operations to Squad 72 Officer.
- 5 Operations to Search and Rescue Group Supervisor, Chief
- 6 Murphy.
- 7 SAR: Search and Rescue.
- 8 OPERATIONS: Greg, I wanted to start with an exterior
- 9 360 first before we went on the inside. Is that still feasible?
- 10 SAR: Absolutely. We shouldn't have anybody inside yet.
- 11 OPERATIONS: All right. Let's make sure we coordinate
- 12 it with the front and the back. We'll start -- go counterclock --
- 13 correction -- clockwise. We'll start north and south and go
- 14 clockwise and run the perimeter first.
- 15 SAR: That's affirmative.
- Search and Rescue to Squad 72 Officer.
- 17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Philadelphia Fire East Division,
- 18 and we'll meet back there.
- 19 ES-3: ES-3 to Medical Branch Director.
- MEDICAL BRANCH DIRECTOR: Go ahead, ES-3.
- 21 ES-3: Chief, we're going to request three additional
- 22 squads at Frankford and Sedgley, hopefully going out from staging.
- 23 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- SOC-2: SOC-2 to the State Box Truck.
- 25 STATE BOX TRUCK: State Box Truck.

- 1 SOC-2: Hey, Brian, any available lighting in there,
- 2 portable lighting, bring it up to the east side of the tracks
- 3 here.
- 4 STATE BOX TRUCK: Yeah, that's affirmative. We're on
- 5 Butler, east of --
- 6 SAFETY OFFICER 1: Safety Officer 1 to Car 4. Safety
- 7 Officer 1 to Car 4.
- 8 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 9 ES-6: ES-6.
- 10 ES-3: Kev, how many patients you still got hanging over
- 11 there?
- 12 ES-6: Stand by.
- 13 OPERATIONS: Operations to Command.
- 14 COMMAND: Command.
- 15 OPERATIONS: Operations to Command. Let's see if we can
- 16 get from OEM their light wagons and see if there's a possibility
- 17 of getting them anywhere close to this incident scene.
- 18 COMMAND: Affirmative.
- OPERATIONS: Chief, also be advised, we have started the
- 20 surgical, meticulous secondary search, the exterior as well as the
- 21 interior, with Rescue 1 and 47.
- 22 COMMAND: Affirmative. Continue.
- 23 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6.
- ES-6: ES-6.
- 25 EX-2: I'm being asked by Amtrak that you got a bus up

- 1 there with about two dozen people in there ready to go to the
- 2 hospital?
- 3 ES-6: That's affirm. Where do you want them to go?
- 4 EX-2: Go ahead and -- EX-2 to Radio.
- 5 MEDIC 24: Medic 24 to Medic 29, are you declaring an
- 6 emergency? Your emergency activation's been activated.
- 7 MEDIC 29: 24, no emergency. Reset.
- 8 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 9 ES-6: ES-6. We transported all the casualties out of
- 10 the casualty collection area, and we asked them to (indiscernible)
- 11 green tags that are ready to go.
- We have three medic units with litters ready to receive
- 13 any additional patients.
- 14 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-3.
- 15 ES-3: Proceed.
- 16 EX-2: Do you need any additional equipment?
- 17 ES-3: Negative, Chief.
- 18 EX-2: EX-3 to ES-6. EX-2 to ES-6.
- 19 ES-6: ES-6.
- 20 EX-2: Do you need any additional equipment?
- ES-6: Not at this time.
- EX-2: EX-2 to EMS Logistics 1.
- EMS LOGISTICS 1: Logistics 1.
- 24 EX-2: Logistics 1, you guys can respond now with
- 25 whatever you have.

- 1 EMS LOGISTICS 1: That's affirmative. Where would you
- 2 like us to stage?
- 3 COMMAND: Command to Communications.
- 4 EX-2: Logistics 1, respond to Frankford and Wheatsheaf.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 6 COMMAND: Joe, I need you to send Deputy 2's Aide up
- 7 here with the board, the working board.
- 8 MC-1 OFFICER: MC-1 Officer to MC-1 Driver, go to the
- 9 north analog.
- 10 EX-2: EX-2 to Radio.
- 11 SOC-2: SOC-2, go over to heavy rescue op.
- 12 TRIAGE: Triage to Car 4.
- CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 14 TRIAGE: Hey, Chief, we have 52 greens leave on the
- 15 first SEPTA bus, 5-2.
- 16 CAR 4: Affirmative. What hospitals are we
- 17 (indiscernible) depositing them?
- 18 OPERATIONS: Operations to Communications.
- 19 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- OPERATIONS: We have manpower in staging?
- 21 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 22 OPERATIONS: Joe, I need you to designate one company to
- 23 get the coolers for Rescue 1 -- or correction -- from second
- 24 alarmers, and bring it up to the -- up near the incident command
- 25 post. And then once they're done that, and they get back, we're

- 1 going to send the second company up with as much more as they can
- 2 carry. We have all of our people, all the police people up here,
- 3 rail people, and everybody else.
- 4 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 5 Engine 61 Officer, Communications to Engine 61 Officer.
- 6 Communications to 51 Officer.
- 7 PIPELINE 61 OFFICER: Pipeline 61 Officer.
- 8 COMMUNICATIONS: Did you receive that last message from
- 9 the incident commander?
- 10 PIPELINE 61 OFFICER: (Indiscernible).
- 11 STAGING: Staging to Operations.
- 12 OPERATIONS: Operations to Staging, proceed.
- 13 STAGING: I have three companies: 61, 51 and 27. Where
- 14 would you like them?
- 15 OPERATIONS: Okay. What I need them to do is find
- 16 second alarmers out there, see what resources they have with
- 17 bottled water, and you assign as many people as needed to bring
- 18 water up here. We have approximately 120-some to 150 personnel up
- 19 here.
- 20 CAR 2: Car 2 to Communications.
- 21 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- TRIAGE: Triage to Medic 7.
- 23 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Engine 61 Officer.
- TRIAGE: Triage to Medic 7.
- 25 PIPELINE 61: Pipeline 61.

- 1 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to SA-10.
- 2 STAGING: Staging to Operations.
- 3 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Engine 51 Officer.
- 4 ENGINE 51 OFFICER: Engine 51.
- 5 COMMUNICATIONS: Are you guys assigned to anything?
- 6 ENGINE 51 OFFICER: That's affirmative.
- 7 ES-6: ES-6 to ES-3.
- 8 STAGING: Staging to Communications. I have one company
- 9 sitting with me.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative. Send them to the
- 11 second alarmer truck, pick up a cooler, fill it with water, bring
- 12 it down to the command post in the north end of these trains at
- 13 the command post. I want you to repeat the cycle with water and
- 14 relief.
- 15 STAGING: Affirmative. I have the Pipeline 61 and
- 16 Engine 51 doing that right now.
- 17 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 18 STAGING: I still have Engine 27 in staging.
- 19 COMMUNICATIONS: That's affirmative.
- SA-1: SA-1 to Communications.
- 21 OPERATIONS: Operations (indiscernible) to Rescue 1,
- 22 (indiscernible) Communications?
- SA-1: SA-1 to Communications.
- 24 STAGING: Staging to Pipeline 62.
- 25 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: Pipeline 52 Officer, go ahead.

- 1 STAGING: 62, are you committed anywhere yet?
- 2 PIPELINE 52 OFFICER: This is 52. I thought you were
- 3 trying to reach 52, 5-2.
- 4 STAGING: Staging to Pipeline 6-2.
- 5 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 6 ES-6: ES-6.
- 7 PIPELINE 62: 62 to Staging.
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).
- 9 ES-3: ES-6, did you utilize Medic 1?
- 10 ES-6: Yeah, I still have Medic 1.
- 11 ES-3: How many patients you got over there that need
- 12 medic units, that need transportation?
- 13 ES-6: I'm good right now. We transported everybody. I
- 14 have three medic units standing by to receive any additional
- 15 patients.
- ES-6 to ES-3, do we have any EMS operation -- units on
- 17 the East Division?
- 18 ES-3: Affirmative.
- 19 PIPELINE 62: Pipeline 62 to Staging.
- STAGING: 62, are you committed to anything yet?
- 21 PIPELINE 62: Standing by at 28's truck.
- 22 STAGING: Affirmative.
- EX-2: EX-2 to Casualty Collection North, ES-6.
- 24 ES-6: Casualty Collection North.
- EX-2: Have you, have you transported your bus yet?

- 1 ES-6: (Indiscernible).
- 2 EX-2: Repeat?
- 3 ES-6: They left without any of our personnel on board.
- 4 EX-2: ES-6, repeat that message for me?
- 5 ES-6: Affirmative. The buses have transported
- 6 patients. The destination, I'm not aware of.
- 7 EX-2: Kevin, has the bus left yet, yes or no?
- 8 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 9 EX-2: Where have they gone to?
- 10 ES-6: I'm not aware on that.
- 11 EX-2: All right. Could you call the FCC and give ES-7
- 12 of that information? Chief's in the office right now. He just
- 13 got here.
- 14 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 15 STAGING: Staging to second alarmers.
- 16 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-3.
- 17 EX-2 to ES-6.
- 18 ES-6: ES-6.
- 19 EX-2: Kevin, are you going to have any more people to
- 20 transport in medic units or on buses?
- 21 ES-6: Not at this time. I got three medic units
- 22 standing by to receive any additional patients.
- 23 EX-2: Send one of those medic units -- I want an AOS --
- 24 down to me at the tracks at the end of Wheatsheaf, and tell them
- 25 to stand on the -- stand by the road.

- 1 ES-6: Okay. Is that at Frankford and Wheatsheaf?
- 2 EX-2: Yeah, on the north side. Tell them to stand by
- 3 when they get to the tracks up by the road.
- 4 STAGING: Staging to SA-1.
- 5 EX-2: Kevin, don't have that medic unit come down on
- 6 the tracks. I don't need any more people down here.
- 7 EX-2 to ES-3.
- 8 SA-1: SA-1.
- 9 STAGING: Where are you, your units located?
- SA-1: We have everything at -- SA-5, which is at
- 11 Frankford and Butler. It's the driveway to go back to the actual
- 12 -- where the first car is at, right on the street of Frankford
- 13 Avenue.
- 14 BOX TRUCK: Aerial (indiscernible) USAR Box Truck to
- 15 Command.
- 16 ES-3: ES-3 to ES-6.
- 17 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-3.
- 18 ES-3: Proceed.
- 19 EX-2: Bob, do you have -- have you transported anybody
- 20 on buses yet or do you see them standing by?
- 21 ES-3: The first bus is in the process of leaving now.
- 22 We do have one EMT on board, and the orders from Car 4 was to
- 23 spread the patients out throughout the north (indiscernible).
- BOX TRUCK: State USAR Box Truck to Command.
- 25 COMMAND: State Box Truck.

- 1 OPERATIONS: Operations to Safety.
- 2 STAGING: Staging, proceed.
- 3 ES-6: ES-6 to (indiscernible) EX-2.
- 4 OPERATIONS: EMS, stand by on your radio traffic.
- 5 Operations to Safety.
- 6 SAFETY 1: Safety.
- 7 OPERATIONS: Update on your safety information. There's
- 8 still one overhead line that has not been grounded, what would be
- 9 on the west side of the tracks, closest to where most of the
- 10 companies are staged and where we took most of the people out, on
- 11 that side. So just for an update there, we still have one
- 12 overhead line that has not been grounded.
- 13 SAFETY 1: That's affirmative. We're in contact with
- 14 them, and that should be accomplished shortly.
- 15 OPERATIONS: All right. Just let's make sure we keep
- 16 the safety messages going.
- 17 SAFETY 2: Safety 2 to Command.
- 18 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-3.
- ES-3: Proceed, EX-2.
- 20 EX-2: Bob, I need for you to call ES-7 in the FCC and
- 21 give them your information. We're gathering the numbers now. I
- 22 need the numbers. I also need to know if you need any more
- 23 resources.
- 24 SAFETY 2: Safety 2 to Command.
- OPERATIONS: Operations to Safety 2.

1 SAFETY 2: Be advised, the crane that was ordered is on

- 2 deck on Wheatsheaf Lane. I set up corridors for entry control
- 3 points and exit control points, keeping everyone away from the
- 4 wires. The wires are still not grounded. All personnel will stay
- 5 in the corridors that have been set up on the railroad.
- 6 OPERATIONS: All right. That's affirmative.
- 7 ES-7: ES-7 to EX-2.
- 8 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Operations.
- 9 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to ES-6.
- 10 OPERATIONS: Operations to Safety 1.
- 11 SAFETY 1: Okay. Tell them we have portable lights here
- 12 ready to go in service. Where would you like me to direct the
- 13 guys to set them up?
- OPERATIONS: Where we just were, straight ahead, over
- 15 towards the red tape over on the side of the car that's pretty
- 16 mangled.
- 17 SAR: Search and Rescue to Operations.
- 18 ES-6: ES-6 to EX-2.
- 19 OPERATIONS: Operations, proceed.
- SAR: Search and Rescue. Chief, have them bring those,
- 21 have them bring those lights to car 2, to that area in car 2 that
- 22 we spoke about.
- OPERATIONS: That's affirmative.
- 24 Operations, did you copy where to take those lights?
- SAFETY 1: That's affirmative. I'll bring them around.

- 1 They're still waiting on the cord, but as soon as they've got
- 2 everything in place, I'll bring them around to you.
- 3 OPERATIONS: All right. Ken, that should be down what
- 4 would be to your left if you were standing as we were before,
- 5 straight down towards the middle car that's over on its side.
- EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6, go ahead.
- 7 ES-6: ES-6, yeah, the SEPTA police on location informed
- 8 me that the SEPTA buses each carrying 26 occupants, transported
- 9 one bus to Hahnemann and one to Torresdale.
- 10 EX-2: All right. Can you call up ES-7 and give him the
- 11 specific numbers of each bus? I also need you to give ES-7 -- no,
- 12 yeah, that's all I need.
- 13 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 14 PIPELINE 61: Pipeline 61 to ES-3.
- SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to SOC.
- OPERATIONS: Safety 1, he's Search and Rescue Group.
- 17 That's his call sign.
- 18 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Search and Rescue.
- 19 SAR: Search and Rescue.
- 20 SAFETY 1: Murph, I'm sending Captain Piers (ph.) back
- 21 with the lights between the two cars. You direct him where you
- 22 want these lights set up.
- 23 SAR: Absolutely. Have him come back around the first
- 24 car to the second car around the back on the side, and then I'll
- 25 meet him there.

- 1 OPERATIONS: All right. Operations to all units. We're
- 2 starting the numbers of the vehicles from the northernmost car
- 3 towards the south. Just be advised. That's how we're working the
- 4 numbers.
- 5 STAGING: Staging to Operations.
- 6 OPERATIONS: Operations to Staging, proceed.
- 7 STAGING: I have three companies at Wheatsheaf and
- 8 Frankford and one company at Frankford and Sedgley.
- 9 OPERATIONS: All right. That's affirmative. Just have
- 10 all companies stand by at this point until we see a need for them.
- 11 PIPELINE 61: Pipeline 61 to EX-2.
- 12 OPERATIONS: Operations to Search and Rescue.
- 13 SAR: Search and Rescue. Go ahead, Operations.
- 14 OPERATIONS: Craig, you wanted these lights on the west
- 15 of these down (indiscernible) vehicles, right?
- SAR: Yes. How much lights are you talking about? How
- 17 many lights are we talking about now?
- 18 OPERATIONS: We got two lights and a generator, but
- 19 right now they're on the east side. They're in the middle of this
- 20 whole mess.
- 21 SAR: I'll tell you what. Have them set it up on the
- 22 opposite side, on the underside of the train where the trucks are,
- 23 you know, on the other side (indiscernible) we are.
- 24 OPERATIONS: All right. Craiq, the east side is the
- 25 side where you and I last spoke. The west side is towards the

- 1 side that we all came in from.
- 2 SAR: Have them set them up on the west side.
- 3 EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- 4 CAR 4: Car 4, go ahead.
- 5 EX-2: All right. At this point I have three medic
- 6 units down at the train. I do not need any more. Casualty South
- 7 and Casualty North are stable. They do not need any more medic
- 8 units. We're good with medic units.
- 9 CAR 4: Affirmative.
- 10 STATE BOX TRUCK: State box truck.
- 11 COMMAND: Command to ES-4. Command to Chief McCary
- 12 (ph.).
- 13 CHIEF McCARY: Go ahead.
- 14 COMMAND: Chief, are we going to take into consideration
- 15 setting up an area for our own folks, have them come out and set
- 16 up a little R and R out here just to make sure everybody stays
- 17 okay?
- 18 CHIEF McCARY: Yeah, I was leaving the two medic units
- 19 that you have up there for that.
- 20 COMMAND: All right. Once we get this water up here and
- 21 whatnot, then, then if you could, just assign somebody to take
- 22 that and make sure we just have, have it monitored just so we can
- 23 keep an eye on our people.
- 24 CHIEF McCARY: Okay.
- 25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) 2 to EX-1.

- 1 EX-1: EX-1, proceed.
- 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Chief, switch to north analog.
- 3 COMMAND: Command to Operations.
- 4 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Operations.
- 5 OPERATIONS: Operations. Did somebody call me?
- 6 EAST DIVISION: East Division to Operations.
- 7 OPERATIONS: Go ahead, Vince.
- 8 EAST DIVISION: What's the location of the command post?
- 9 I have the police commissioner here looking for it.
- 10 OPERATIONS: East, it was right where you and I last
- 11 spoke where you mentioned you were going to go up. It's right at
- 12 the pillars under the walkway, closest to the front of train 1.
- 13 EAST DIVISION: All right. That's affirmative.
- EX-2: EX-2 to Car 4.
- 15 CAR 4: Car 4.
- 16 EX-2: I'm recalling 10-SAR. They already landed. Can
- 17 we find out if it's clear for them to take off?
- 18 CAR 4: What's your situation on the train, as far as
- 19 patients?
- 20 EX-2: I have nothing at this point.
- 21 CAR 4: Affirmative. Have them stand by.
- 22 EX-2: All right. Just to (indiscernible), it's a, it's
- 23 a ground transport unit. It's not a (indiscernible).
- 24 CAR 4: Affirmative. We can recall the 10-SAR.
- 25 COMMAND: Command to Operations.

- 1 ES-3: ES-3 to Car 4.
- OPERATIONS: Operations to Command, proceed.
- 3 COMMAND: Tony, I got crane assets here. I want you to
- 4 meet the crane operator at your convenience if we need it.
- 5 OPERATIONS: All right. That's affirmative. I'm on the
- 6 interior of the downed vehicles towards the rear. I'll make my
- 7 way forward now, come across and meet them.
- 8 COMMAND: That's affirmative, at your convenience, but
- 9 he's here and I do want you to meet him.
- 10 OPERATIONS: Operations, affirmative.
- 11 Operations to Forward Staging.
- 12 FORWARD STAGING: Forward Staging.
- 13 STATE BOX TRUCK: State Box Truck to (indiscernible).
- 14 OPERATIONS: Operations to Forward Staging. Jeff, I
- 15 want you to prepare two companies. I'm going to put them on the
- 16 inside here, and I want them to walk the line and check
- 17 everything, make sure we checked under every bush, and all that,
- 18 affirmative? And I'll meet you there and direct them.
- 19 FORWARD STAGING: That's affirmative.
- State Box Truck, go ahead.
- 21 STATE BOX TRUCK: (Indiscernible) rescue officer.
- 22 PIPELINE 61: Pipeline 61 to EX-2.
- SAR: Search and Rescue to EX-2.
- 24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) to the Staging
- 25 Area.

- 1 STAGING: Staging.
- 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Do you have any companies
- 3 available? I have plenty of water that has to get back from SA-5
- 4 back to rehab. Just need manpower to help bring it back.
- 5 STAGING: Where is SA-5?
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: They're located at Frankford and
- 7 Butler, right by that car wash, right on Frankford Avenue.
- 8 STAGING: Affirmative.
- 9 Engine 27. Staging to Engine 27.
- 10 ENGINE 27: Engine 27.
- 11 STAGING: 27, proceed to Butler to go to SA-5 and grab
- 12 some more water.
- 13 LOGISTICS 1: Logistics 1 to EX-2.
- 14 EX-2: Logistics 1, go ahead.
- 15 LOGISTICS 1: We're here at Triage South. Where do you
- 16 need us?
- 17 EX-2: Come down to Wheatsheaf to the train tracks.
- 18 SAFETY 2: Safety 2 to Operations.
- 19 STAGING: Staging to Pipeline 62. Staging to Pipeline
- $20 \quad 6-2.$
- 21 PIPELINE 62: 6-2, go ahead.
- 22 STAGING: Proceed to Butler and SA-5, and grab some
- 23 water and bring it to forward operating.
- 24 PIPELINE 62: Affirmative. Moving.
- 25 COMMAND: Command to (indiscernible).

- SAFETY 2: Safety 2 to Safety 1.
- 2 SAFETY 1: Safety 1.
- 3 SAFETY 2: Hey, Chief, we need to confirm with PICO that
- 4 the west side power lines that belong to PICO, once they start
- 5 moving trains and rails at (indiscernible) out the line, we need
- 6 to confirm that that power up there is shut off.
- 7 SAFETY 1: Okay, Tommy. I'll find a PICO guy and see if
- 8 this part's down.
- 9 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-7.
- 10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Do you want --
- 11 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to FM-1.
- 12 COMMAND: Command to Safety 1.
- 13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Affirmative --
- 14 COMMUNICATIONS: FM-1, contact FCC. FM-1, contact FCC.
- 15 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-7.
- OPERATIONS: Operations to Communications.
- 17 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 18 OPERATIONS: Joe, the units that we had designated to
- 19 get the water up here, how are we making out with that?
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: They're in the process of relaying
- 21 water continuously. Staging manager is handling that at this
- 22 time. Also, we have two additional SEPTA buses in staging or en
- 23 route to staging at this time. Two took 23 patients to Hahnemann
- 24 and to Frankford-Torresdale.
- BATTALION 12: Battalion 12 to Operations.

- 1 OPERATIONS: Operations.
- 2 BATTALION 12: Battalion 12. Chief, I was just in
- 3 contact with Amtrak's Frank Cruz (ph.). He assures me all the
- 4 wires in the south are all grounded, everything is grounded.
- 5 OPERATIONS: All right. That's affirmative.
- 6 Operations to Safety, did you copy?
- 7 SAFETY 1: Safety, I'm with the Amtrak supervisor now
- 8 confirming that.
- 9 OPERATIONS: All right. When you do, let Safety 2 know
- 10 that. He can broadcast a safety message and let everybody know.
- 11 COMMAND: Command to Safety, what's your location?
- 12 SAFETY 1: Safety. I'm with the Amtrak members under
- 13 the trestle.
- 14 COMMAND: Affirmative.
- 15 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6.
- 16 ES-6: ES-6.
- 17 EX-2: We're going to be setting up R and R at the end
- 18 of Wheatsheaf Lane by the train. I need to know if second
- 19 alarmers can get a truck down here.
- 20 ES-6: We might be able to maneuver a truck almost to
- 21 Coral Street. I don't think any further than Coral --
- 22 EX-2: All right. See if you can find out for me.
- 23 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-7.
- 24 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to all companies on the fire ground.
- 25 All four Amtrak lines are shut down and grounded and secure.

- 1 ES-3: ES-3 to EX-2.
- OPERATIONS: Operations to Search and Rescue Group.
- 3 SAR: Search and Rescue, go ahead.
- 4 OPERATIONS: Murph, you got Ladder 22 and Engine 33
- 5 coming up there right behind you. They're the two companies that
- 6 are going to work inside there. Rescue's got to check with them,
- 7 let one of these companies (indiscernible). They only have one
- 8 with them.
- 9 SAR: I'm going to send Rescue over with them, Chief.
- 10 And then we'll have the two ladder companies and Rescue.
- OPERATIONS: That's fine, but you now have assigned to
- 12 you, you have Ladder 22 and Engine 33. They're assigned to the
- 13 Search and Rescue Group now, affirmative?
- 14 SAR: That's affirmative.
- 15 EAST DIVISION: East Division to EX-2.
- 16 EX-2: Go ahead.
- 17 EAST DIVISION: The second alarmers can come from
- 18 Frankford down Wheatsheaf and turn into Crown Boiler's parking
- 19 lot, and come all the way to the edge of the railroad and set up R
- 20 and R in their parking lot, make a hole in the fence there for
- 21 access.
- 22 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-7.
- 23 ES-3: ES-3 to EX-2.
- ES-6: ES-6.
- EX-2: EX-2, go ahead.

- 1 ES-3: Just an update. We have a rest and rehab set up
- 2 right at Frankford and Sedgley. We have the -- also, we have one
- 3 set up at Butler and Frankford.
- 4 STAGING: Staging to Operations.
- 5 OPERATIONS: Operations (indiscernible).
- 6 STAGING: Staging. I have a SEPTA bus with personnel on
- 7 board. I need an ES officer for staging at Wheatsheaf and
- 8 Frankford.
- 9 OPERATIONS: All right. You have a SEPTA bus with who
- 10 on board?
- 11 STAGING: With casualties.
- 12 OPERATIONS: All right.
- Operations to EMS Branch Officer.
- 14 ES-6: ES-6.
- 15 OPERATIONS: Did you copy the staging officer's last
- 16 message? He has a SEPTA bus with casualties on it at Wheatsheaf,
- 17 and you'll have to confirm the exact location. We need to address
- 18 that, please, with EMS personnel.
- 19 ES-6: Affirmative.
- STAGING: Staging to ES-6.
- 21 ES-6: ES-6.
- 22 STAGING: Frankford and Wheatsheaf, SEPTA bus, 11
- 23 casualties being checked out by Medic 49-B as of right now.
- ES-6: That's affirmative.
- SAR: Search and Rescue to Operations.

- OPERATIONS: Operations. Go ahead, Murph.
- 2 SAR: Hey, Tone. I got Battalion 4 and this west
- 3 sector, the search of refills that we're looking. We're going to
- 4 let him control the search within the group of refills to the
- 5 west. So Battalion 4 is connected to me.
- 6 OPERATIONS: All right. That's affirmative. Thanks for
- 7 the heads up.
- 8 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6.
- 9 ES-6: ES-6. I'm making my way to Frankford and
- 10 Wheatsheaf.
- 11 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6.
- 12 ES-6: ES-6.
- 13 EX-2: Do you have another bus to transport people?
- 14 ES-6: There's one at Frankford and Wheatsheaf. I'm
- 15 approaching it now, this SEPTA situation.
- 16 EX-2: All right. I need the numbers ASAP to get to
- 17 ES-7.
- 18 ES-6: Repeat that?
- 19 EX-2: I need the number of people on the bus given to
- $20 \quad ES-7 \quad ASAP.$
- 21 ES-6: Affirmative.
- OPERATIONS: Command to Chief McCary.
- 23 CHIEF McCARY: Go ahead.
- 24 OPERATIONS: Sorry, that's Operations.
- Chief, there might be some moving around of the R and R

- 1 location. We have the opportunity to get the Rescue 1 apparatus
- 2 real close to the east side, like on the fence or one of these
- 3 fences over here, and we might be able to do that a lot more
- 4 smoothly than what we had originally spoken about.
- 5 CHIEF McCARY: Whatever works. I don't care.
- 6 COMMAND: Command.
- 7 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 8 COMMAND: Command.
- 9 COMMUNICATIONS: Hey, Chief, I'm checking on
- 10 confirmation on additional SEPTA buses, and I having them stage at
- 11 Frankford and Castor.
- 12 COMMAND: That's affirmative. When you have it, get me
- 13 the number.
- 14 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 15 OPERATIONS: Operations to Communications.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications.
- 17 OPERATIONS: Joe, when they get here with the bus, let's
- 18 see what we can work out with the staging area manager and see if
- 19 we can facilitate even a closer location for it at that point.
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- 21 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Safety 2.
- SAFETY 2: Safety 2.
- SAFETY 1: Hey, Tom, can you meet me at the end of the
- 24 last train where the two large poles are, the Amtrak poles that
- 25 are leaning, with some red tape and a couple bodies so we can --

- 1 we're going to have to close this off and figure out another way
- 2 to bring it around.
- 3 SAFETY 2: Confirm where you are. The first train
- 4 further north?
- 5 SAFETY 1: Yeah. It's at the end of the line, the last
- 6 train. I guess it's on the north end.
- 7 SAFETY 2: Affirmative.
- 8 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 9 COMMAND: Command.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS: Chief, do you want the SEPTA buses
- 11 closer on the Sedgley side or the Wheatsheaf side?
- 12 COMMAND: Repeat your message?
- 13 COMMUNICATIONS: Do you want the SEPTA buses to get
- 14 closer on the Sedgley side or the Wheatsheaf side?
- 15 COMMAND: Just tell them to stand by away from the
- 16 scene. We're probably not going to need them. Stand by.
- 17 SAFETY 1: Safety 1 to Safety 2, that's a correction.
- 18 That's the south end, all the way at the south end.
- 19 SAFETY 2: Affirmative. East side or west side?
- SAFETY 1: Both.
- 21 SAFETY 2: Affirmative. On my way.
- 22 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-6.
- ES-6: ES-6, trying to get through with ES-7.
- 24 EX-2: All right. I just got off the phone with him. I
- 25 got 18 medic units here. I need to start getting rid of them.

- 1 Start giving me -- I have a list of all the medic units that are
- 2 here. You start telling me who you're cutting loose. Cut, like,
- 3 five at a time.
- 4 SAR: Search and Rescue Group 2, PA Task Force 1 Group.
- 5 TASK FORCE 1: Go ahead, Chief.
- 6 SAR: Brian, look over. You see where I am?
- 7 TASK FORCE 1: I got you.
- 8 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 9 EX-2: EX-2 to ES-3.
- 10 ES-3: ES-3. Chief, I'm here at South Triage. We got
- 11 four medic units. We got Medic 21, which initially established
- 12 them, so they're going to stay. We got 12, 6, and 50-B.
- 13 EX-2: Those are the ones you cut loose?
- 14 ES-3: Negative. I'm just telling you what we got. If
- 15 I can cut loose, I probably could go with 50-B for now.
- 16 EX-2: All right. Cut them loose.
- 17 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 18 Communications to Operations.
- 19 OPERATIONS: Operations. Proceed.
- 20 COMMUNICATIONS: Chief, do you want the mass casualty
- 21 vehicle to respond?
- OPERATIONS: You can recall MC-1.
- 23 COMMUNICATIONS: Affirmative.
- ES-6: ES-6 to EX-2.
- EX-2: Go ahead.

- 1 ES-6: I'm going to send 11 people on a bus to Webster
- 2 School. That's a, that's a collection point, I believe?
- 3 EX-2: You're sending them from the north collection
- 4 point?
- 5 ES-6: That's correct. They're sending them to Webster
- 6 School. The police on location are telling me that they're
- 7 gathering all these Class 3's there. I'm going to have Medic 49
- 8 head over there as well. (Indiscernible) if you -- if you need
- 9 them back to go to that 911, I can release them.
- 10 EX-2: I don't want anybody back. Just a second. Just
- 11 do me a favor, Radio 7 (indiscernible).
- 12 ES-6: Affirmative.
- 13 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Command.
- 14 Communications to Operations.
- 15 MC-1 DRIVER: MC-1 Driver to MC-16 Officer.
- 16 COMMUNICATIONS: Communications to Operations.
- 17 STATE BOX TRUCK: State Box Truck to SOC Branch.
- 18 SOC BRANCH: SOC Branch.
- 19 STATE BOX TRUCK: Chief, we got four cases of marking
- 20 paint that's arrived. If you want (indiscernible) some people to
- 21 (indiscernible).
- 22 SOC BRANCH: Okay. Just bring a couple cans up to Car
- 23 1. We already got a can over here in Rescue 1, starting to mark
- 24 from -- on the opposite side. So let's start marking on the
- 25 inside so when we're working (indiscernible) the debris area.