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NATURAL GAS LEAK FORCES EVACUATION

The Inglewood Police Department responded to reports of a natural gas and water leak at 10111 S. England Avenue this morning. The leak necessitated the evacuation of residents from seven apartment buildings on the block. The incident began at 7:20 AM on **Tuesday, December 13, 2011.**

Police Department personnel, along with firefighters from the Los Angeles County Fire Department, repair crews from the Southern California Gas Company, and Inglewood Public Works staff coordinated efforts at the scene. Approximately 35 residents were evacuated as a safety precaution and remained out of the area for almost five hours while repairs were made to the natural gas line. The repairs were completed and the residences were deemed safe for occupancy around noon.

The apparent cause was a ruptured water main. The force of the rupture also fractured the natural gas line that sits underground adjacent to the residences. Gas service has been restored, but as repairs on the water main continue, service is not expected to be restored for 7-8 hours.

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