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In line with ACC's emergency response process, the Austin Fire Department was called to the Rio Grande Campus early Wednesday morning after members of ACC's evening facilities and grounds crew discovered a chemical container was accidentally left on a heat source in a third-floor chemistry lab, causing the container to melt. The chemical spill was confined to secondary containment. The facility was checked by AFD for air quality and determined to be safe. All evening shift ACC employees and contract personnel were evacuated from the building, and two were checked and released at a nearby medical facility. No one was injured in the mishap, and the building reopened by 7:30 a.m.

ACC Administration and the Environmental Health and Safety Department would like to thank the Rio Grande Facilities and Grounds Evening Crew for their quick response. This team knew exactly what to do and did it well to ensure the safety of all building occupants and of the Rio Grande Campus.

Please direct all media inquiries to Veronica Obregon at 223-7596.

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