**Workplace Safety Precautions for Recent Explosions in Austin**

Workplace safety and the safety of the community is a top priority. This document offers safety guidance regarding the recent explosions to increase vigilance. Employees in buildings and in the field need to be vigilant to help keep everyone safe. Report any suspicious packages or activities. Be careful out in the field and if you see something suspicious, call 9-1-1 to report it. Please follow these tips for your safety:

**Remember, if you See Something, Say Something. Call 9-1-1 to report it. Be on the lookout for…**

**PACKAGES, BACKPACKS, BUNDLES, OR ITEMS UNFAMILIAR OR STRANGE TO YOU:**

**Examples:**

• Unexpected or from someone unfamiliar to you

• No return address, address doesn’t match postmark, can’t verify

• Oily stains, discolorations, crystallization on wrapper

• Strange odors

• Rigid, bulky, lopsided, or uneven

• Excessive postage or packing material

• Incorrect title or addressed to title only

**If you come across an unfamiliar items:**

• Do not touch, move, or approach the object

• Make a good mental note of what the item looks like, including its surroundings

• Guide all personnel away from package

• Call 9-1-1

• Secure scene by keeping yourself and others out of the immediate area until first responders arrive

• Notify your supervisor

**PERSONS BEHAVING STRANGELY OR IN THE WRONG PLACE:**

Examples:

• Someone paying unusual attention to facilities and buildings

• Extended loitering without explanation, asking unusual questions

• Unusual, repeated, and or prolonged observation of a building

• Taking notes or measurements, counting spaces, sketching floor plans

• Strangely or illegally parked vehicles

• Tailgating on badge access (never permitted), people without proper identification

**If you see someone behaving strangely or in the wrong place outside of your normal working conditions:**

• Remain calm.

• Contact your supervisor and your onsite security (if you have one). Take notes of the situation.

• Call 9-1-1 if you cannot reach your onsite security

**RESOURCES/LINKS:**

If you See Something, Say Something – Report any suspicious activity to 9-1-1