

Ruptured Tank Brings Out Fire Fighters

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La Crosse fire fighters ended up at the Oktoberfest grounds this morning

after calls came in that people were smelling natural gas. Crews digging up the old Xcel Energy plant hit a buried mercaptan tank. In it, an odorant that gives natural gas that eggy smell. May be there for awhile too says Division Chief, Tom Wallerich.

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Wallerich said due to the wind carrying the strong smell, calls came in from as far as 6 blocks away.