## ST. TAMMANY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT # 1

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**April 8, 2013** 

Date of incident: April 8, 2013

## **Firefighters Battle Early Morning Fire**

Slidell, LA. – St. Tammany Fire District #1 responded to a residential structure fire at 61384 Slidell Ave. in Slidell. Firefighters arrived on the scene in a little over 9 minutes to find heavy flames showing from a 1500 square foot single story residence. The original structure was a mobile home that had a few rooms added on. It took firefighters almost an hour to extinguish the fire and bring the scene under control.

The house had been vacant for some time and the owner lived down the street at a relative's home. The owner was awoken by her dogs barking in the yard and several minutes later discovered the house on fire. She then called 911 from a cell phone. Firefighters were hampered by the overgrown vegetation and limited access to the house. The fire completely destroyed the home. The fire is under investigation at this time. No injuries were reported.

1<sup>st</sup> alarm: 02:30:21 On scene: 02:39:39 Under Control: 03:38:41

Units: 10 Firefighters: 21 Injuries: 0

Cause: Under Investigation

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