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HUDGENS: THREE INJURED IN CLINCH COUNTY EXPLOSION

Atlanta – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens said his office is investigating an explosion and subsequent fire at a business in Clinch County that sent three people to the hospital this afternoon.

"The cause of this explosion is still under investigation," Hudgens said.

Commissioner Hudgens said the force of the blast collapsed the roof and walls of Coffee Corner located at 112 E. Dame Ave., in Homerville, Ga.

Two employees and a customer were airlifted to a hospital in Gainesville, Fla. Their names have not been released.

Hudgens' Arson Unit is assisting the Clinch County Sheriff's Office in the investigation.