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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (January 24, 2021) Suffolk Police advise that road closures following yesterday's single vehicle accident remain at Mason Avenue at Wellons Street, Battery Avenue at Wellons Street, and South Saratoga Street at Nevada Street and Wellons Street as crews from Dominion Virginia Power continue making necessary repairs in the area.

SINGLE VEHICLE ACCIDENT CAUSES MAJOR POWER OUTAGE

SUFFOLK, VA (January 23, 2021) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue units responded to a single vehicle accident earlier this afternoon, Saturday, January 23, 2021, which has caused a major power outage in the Saratoga neighborhood and Downtown area.

Emergency Communications was contacted at 3:51 p.m. advising of the accident at Ashley Avenue and Wellons Street involving a Dodge Ram pick-up. There were no injuries.

Upon preliminary investigation it was determined that the vehicle left the roadway and struck a power pole. Dominion Virginia Power has also responded and has advised that approximately 2000 customers are without power. Public Works crews have also responded and road closure detour signs have been placed at Mason Avenue at

Wellons Street, Battery Avenue at Wellons Street, and South Saratoga Street at Nevada Street and Wellons Street. It is anticipated that the affected roadways will be closed for an extensive amount of time as repair work is estimated at approximately 24 hours.

The accident investigation remains ongoing at this time.

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