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**EARLY MORNING TRACTOR TRAILER FIRE
BRIEFLY CLOSSES ROADWAY**

SUFFOLK, Virginia (March 24, 2015) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded earlier this morning to a tractor trailer fire on the eastbound side of the Franklin Bypass.

Emergency Communications received the call at 5:16 a.m. advising of the fire caused by a blown tire on the tractor trailer which caught fire and subsequently ignited the load of wood pellets the trailer was hauling.

One eastbound lane and the Route 258 exit was briefly closed as Suffolk Fire & Rescue crews extinguished the flames. Responding units included Engine 7, Medic 7A and Tanker 7.

There were no injuries.

The roadway reopened at 6:19 a.m.

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