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### **ACCIDENT ROUTE 58 INVOLVING 9 VEHICLES**

SUFFOLK, VA (September 4, 2014) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded earlier this evening to an accident at Portsmouth Boulevard/Route 58 westbound at the Wilroy Road exit.

Emergency Communications received the initial call at 5:09 p.m. advising of a minor chain-reaction accident at that location involving 6 vehicles. As an additional Suffolk Police unit was responding to the scene at approximately 5:25 p.m., a van struck the cruiser from the rear and then struck an 18-wheeler, increasing the number of involved vehicles to 9. The involved Officer was not injured.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel provided medical assessment at the scene and two persons were ground transported to Sentara Obici Hospital for treatment of what were considered minor injuries.

A portion of the roadway was closed for a brief period of time while the involved vehicles were moved off the roadway to the emergency lane. All traffic is flowing normally at this time. The involved vehicles will be removed from the roadway

following the evening rush hour so as not to cause additional delays to the traveling public.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.

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