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ROADWAY CLEAN-UP CAUSES TRAFFIC DELAY

SUFFOLK, VA (May 31, 2018) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded earlier this morning to Route 58 westbound at Pruden Boulevard for a single vehicle accident at 9:26 a.m.

Upon preliminary investigation it was determined that a passenger vehicle left the roadway after another vehicle caused the driver to run off the road. As a result of the initial accident, an open-top tractor trailer carrying chicken parts lost some of its load on the roadway after it braked abruptly to avoid the accident, however, the driver of the tractor trailer did not remain at the scene. The adult female driver of the passenger vehicle sustained minor injuries and received emergency medical assessment and treatment by Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel.

Due to the nature of the debris on the roadway the incident was treated as a hazardous materials incident and periodic road closures, as well as alternating traffic, was required during the clean-up efforts. Suffolk Fire & Rescue utilized a Tanker truck to wash down the roadway, and crews from Suffolk Public Works also responded to put down sand in the affected area.

The affected portion of the roadway has now reopened.

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