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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**SUV vs SEMI crash E STH 11 & Beloit Ave**

**For Immediate Release**

Date: April 16, 2019

CASE: SO1921029

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On 04/16/2019 at 5:04am, Deputies from the Rock County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to a vehicle crash involving a 2016 International semi-truck and a 2004 Ford Expedition SUV at the intersection of E STH 11 and Beloit Ave. Troopers from Wisconsin State Patrol and Janesville Fire and EMS also responded to the crash scene.

Preliminary investigation shows the SUV was driven by a 30 year old male (Janesville, WI) traveling eastbound on E STH 11 and attempted to turn northbound onto Beloit Ave. The SUV turned in front of the semi-truck that was driven by a 24 year old male (Gary, IN) traveling westbound on E STH 11 and the two vehicles collided in the intersection. The SUV sustained heavy damage and the driver had to be extricated from the vehicle.

The driver of the SUV was transported via ambulance to Mercy Hospital with serious but non-life-threatening injuries and the driver of the semi was transport via ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital with minor injuries.

E STH 11 was closed to westbound traffic for approximately 30 minutes while emergency personnel secured the scene. E STH 11 westbound traffic is currently open to only one lane of traffic and is expected to be one lane until approximately 9:30am in order to remove the semi-tractor and trailer.

The driver of the SUV will be receiving citations for operating while suspended and failure to yield right of way.

Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3.6, Trial Publicity, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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