



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: October 13, 2011
Case No. 2011-16844

On October 13, 2011 at 4:47 a.m., a Portage Department of Public Safety officer observed a suspicious vehicle pulling out from an office complex in the 5100 block of Lovers Lane. The driver fled, and a pursuit ensued. PDPS officers pursued the vehicle south on Lovers Lane to Centre and over to northbound S. Westnedge, where it got onto eastbound I-94. Speeds on I-94 reached approximately 100 mph before the driver exited at Portage Road and crashed into the curbed median, which disabled the vehicle. The male driver and a male passenger fled from the vehicle, while a female passenger remained with the vehicle and was released after questioning. With the assistance of officers from the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety, Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police, and Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department K-9, both persons who fled were apprehended.

Charges of Fleeing and Eluding, Resisting and Obstructing Police, and Possession with Intent to Deliver Drugs are being sought from the Kalamazoo County Prosecutor's Office on the 36-year-old male driver from Battle Creek, and Resisting and Obstructing Police on the 23-year-old male passenger from Portage.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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