



NEWS RELEASE

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Case No. 13-17318

On October 12, 2013, at approximately 11:51 p.m., the Portage Department of Public Safety responded to the southbound US 131 ramp (74A) from I 94 westbound for a single car accident. Law enforcement officers on scene determined that a 28-year-old man from Jackson was driving a 1998 Jeep Cherokee westbound on I 94 and, for unknown reasons, lost control taking the ramp for southbound US 131. The driver, who was the only occupant of the vehicle, failed to negotiate the curve and struck the cement median wall and guardrail. The driver was transported to an area hospital and is listed in critical condition.

Ramp 74A from westbound I 94 to southbound US 131 was closed for just over two hours. The Portage Department of Public Safety was assisted during the initial accident investigation by the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety. Alcohol does not appear to be a factor, and the accident is still under investigation.

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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