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Case No. 15-16500

On September 23, 2015 at 10:12 p.m., Police and Fire units from the Portage Department of Public Safety were dispatched to a stabbing at the Crossroads Shell gas station located at 7000 S. Westnedge Avenue.

Officers on scene determined that a 51-year-old Detroit resident was traveling with his 28-year-old daughter and her friend from Detroit to Chicago to visit relatives. During the trip, the 51-year-old male began suffering from a mental disorder, causing them to exit I-94 and stop at the gas station. An argument ensued, and the male subject grabbed his daughter's 20-year-old friend around the neck and began to choke her. Fearing for her friend's safety, the man's daughter used a small knife and stabbed her father in the back of his left thigh.

The male subject was transported by Life Ambulance to a local hospital for treatment of the non-life-threatening injury and a mental health evaluation. The case remains 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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