

****UPDATE** Dump Truck Overtuned on I95 Southbound – Newark**

Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Gary Fournier

New Castle— The Delaware State Police are investigating a crash that occurred on I95 under the Chapman Road overpass involving a dump truck (originally reported as a tractor trailer).

The incident occurred around 11:08 p.m. Saturday September 10, 2016 as Fresa M. Pichardo, 46 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was operating a 2015 Caterpillar CAT660 dump truck southbound on I95 moving from the far right lanes (construction zone) to the far left exit lane, in order to make a U-turn at the I 95 service area. The dump hopper was in the raised position after unloading asphalt when the left side of the hopper's upper portion struck the lower steel girder of the Chapman Road overpass bridge. This impact caused the dump truck to overturn on its right side.

Fresa Pichardo was properly restrained uninjured. She was cited for Inattentive Driving.

DelDOT engineers responded to the crash scene to inspect the overpass which was determined to be structurally sound.

Traffic on I95 southbound was impacted for approximately four hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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New Castle— Delaware State Police are currently at the scene of a single vehicle crash involving a tractor-trailer.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident occurred at approximately 11:08 p.m., Saturday, September 10, 2016, on I-95 southbound under the Chapman Road overpass and involves a tractor-trailer which has overturned. The male operator of the tractor trailer is reported to be uninjured.

As a result of the crash, all lanes of I-95 southbound have been closed and traffic is being diverted off of the highway and onto the ramp to DE Rt. 273 (Christiana Road) southbound. Commuters are asked to find alternate routes of travel.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police. Further updates will be released as they are received.

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