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PRESS RELEASE

TO: All Local Media

FROM: Master Officer Samuel Winkler

RE: Crash involving postal vehicle and house

DATE: 5/13/2015

****Please review the following information for consideration to be included in routine reporting.****

At 2:00 PM, officers with the South Jordan Police Department responded to 1900 W 11400 S on the report of an injury crash involving a residence being struck by one of the vehicles.

A US Postal vehicle was delivering mail to the residence and was pulled onto the shoulder of 11400 S and was stopped when a red Subaru hatchback left the roadway and impacted the back of the postal vehicle at nearly 45 miles per hour.

After the impact, the postal vehicle veered off the roadway into a house and impacted the gas meter on the front of the house – severing the gas line. The residents were home and had to be evacuated and the roadway shut down for nearly one hour.

Additionally, a water line in the residence broke flooding the basement of the residence. Damage to the residence is estimated at over \$5,000.

The female postal worker and male Subaru driver were wearing their seat belts and suffered only minor injuries that did not require transport to a hospital.

The driver of the Subaru was issued a citation for failing to maintain safe lane travel.

“Roadways within Salt Lake County are so crowded now with vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists that motorists now more than ever have to pay 100% attention to the roadway conditions. We are very fortunate that a bicyclist or pedestrian wasn’t using the road when the vehicle left the roadway and struck the postal vehicle,” Master Officer Samuel Winkler.

For additional information, please contact Officer Samuel Winkler of the South Jordan City Police Department by cell (801) 330-2183 (swinkler@sjc.utah.gov).

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