

PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-TRACTOR-TRAILER OVERTURNS ON US 33

[Fairfield County, Ohio, June 26, 2015] Sheriff Dave Phalen advises that at 01:37 am today a semi tractor trailer overturned on US 33 at Sharp Rd. near Sugar Grove, Ohio in Fairfield County.

The crash is still under investigation by Fairfield County Deputies. The preliminary investigation reveals that the truck driver, Otis Rogers age 43 of Dearborn Heights, Michigan, was travelling Westbound on US 33 when he struck the guard rail in the area of Sharp Rd. Mr. Rogers was not injured. The impact caused the tractor-trailer to overturn coming to rest on top of the bridge over the Hocking River.

A fuel tank on the semi-tractor was punctured, the diesel fuel contents (approximately 177 gallons) leaked out onto the bridge and then into the Hocking River. Haz-mat crews and the EPA were called to the scene.

The spill has been contained. The trailer was carrying crushed plastic containers intended to be recycled. The crash is still under investigation.