NARRATIVE

At the date and time indicated in this narrative, Vehicle 1 had received instruction to stop short on the west side of the intersection of Manitou Beach Dr and NE Murden Cove Rd while a construction flagger dressed in a hardhat and yellow reflective attire utilized hand signals to direct a large flatbed truck (Vehicle 2) to make a left hand turn onto NE Murden Cove Rd. As the flagger proceeded to allow the truck to make its turn, Vehicle 1 drove along the north side of Vehicle 2 through a double yellow no passing zone and ran their front passenger side into the driver side of Vehicle 2. The driver of Vehicle 2 and the flagger (witness) stated that the driver of Vehicle 1 then stopped briefly on the nearby shoulder and departed the scene eastbound without providing any information.

I had arrived on scene and began gathering information about the collision when the driver of Vehicle 1 had returned to the scene at approximately 12:00, at which point I gathered their information and asked them why they had left the scene after the collision. The driver of Vehicle 1 explained that they had an appointment to get to and that they thought that because the only apparently visible damage was on their vehicle and not on Vehicle 2 that it was okay to drive away and that no further contact was needed. I advised the driver that an appointment is not an excuse to leave the scene of a collision and I noted that if the driver felt that they were free to drive away that it was odd that the driver would then return to the scene approximately twenty-five minutes later.

I advised the driver of Vehicle 1 that to be involved in a collision and leave the scene without providing information would constitute a Hit and Run. I cited the driver of Vehicle 1 for failure to obey a flagger in a construction zone. The driver of Vehicle 1 was argumentative and upset that they had received a citation, I advised them that they would be able to contest their case in court if they chose to do so. As the driver of Vehicle 1 departed the scene they stopped in the roadway on Manitou Beach Dr and attempted to continue arguing with myself and the flagger and driver of Vehicle 2 after I had told the driver that they were blocking a roadway and to move along. The driver eventually moved along. Charges for Hit and Run to be forwarded to the prosecutor.

