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Semi vs. Power Pole, Interstate 90, Town of Pleasant Springs

At 2:37 AM on Friday, January 2, 2026, Cottage Grove Fire Department, along with Deer-Grove EMS and Wisconsin State Patrol, were dispatched to a Motor Vehicle Accident on the I-90 westbound exit ramp to Highway N in the Town of Pleasant Springs. It was reported that a semi crashed into a power pole.

Crews arrived on scene to find a semi had lost control and made contact with a 350Kv transmission line power pole. The collision caused the pole to fall over, landing on the semi cab and trapping the driver inside.

Due to the position of the downed high-capacity transmission lines, crews first made contact with American Transmission Company (ATC) to ensure power was shut off to those lines to eliminate the possibility of electrical shock to responders and the patient. Once confirmation that all downed lines were de-energized, crews worked quickly to extricate the driver from the cab. The driver, who was in stable condition, was then transported to a local hospital by Deer-Grove EMS.

We would like to thank Deer-Grove EMS, Wisconsin State Patrol, ATC and Alliant Energy for their assistance.

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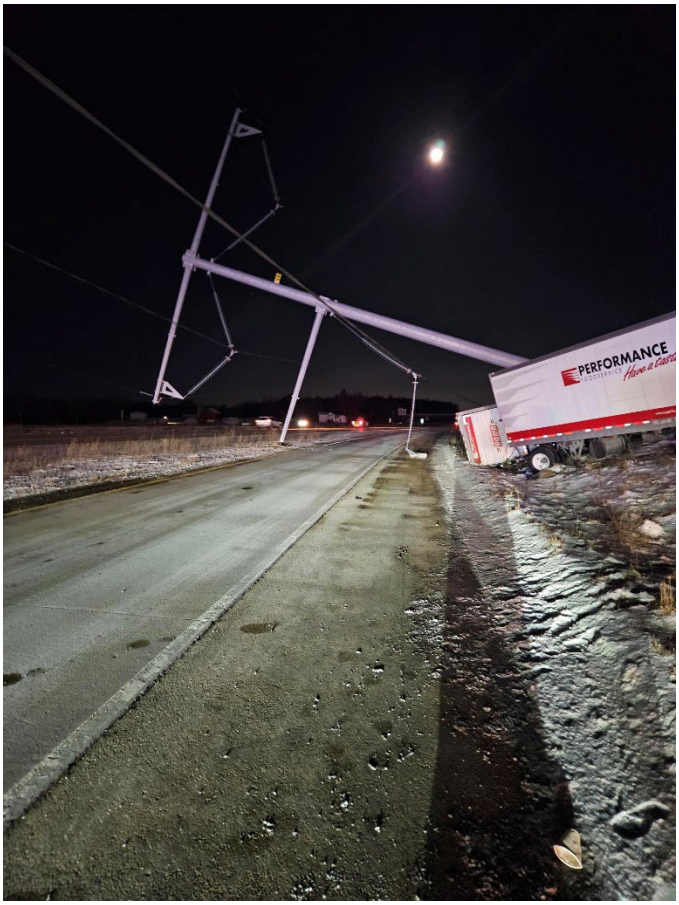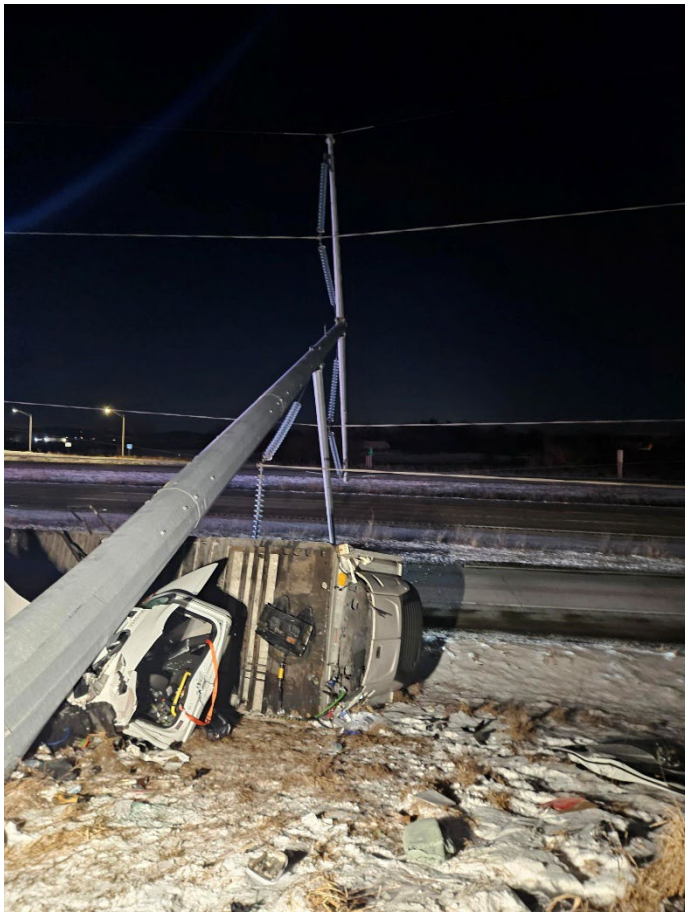
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