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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Incident: Abbotsford Police Investigate Road Rage Incident

Abbotsford – August 25, 2010.

Yesterday at 11:30 am a 45 year old man from North Vancouver was travelling to Abbotsford on Highway 1 eastbound. He noted that his pick up truck was being closely followed by a white Mercedes van. The man and the driver of the Mercedes then passed each other several times until they exchanged gestures near the Mt. Lehman exit on Highway 1. The driver of the Mercedes invited the man to pull over and the man obliged.

Once out of their respective vehicles, the Mercedes driver removed his shirt and according to the 45 year old man, initiated an assault. The result of the confrontation was that the 45 year old man was struck in the head and face while standing and while on the ground. He believes he briefly lost consciousness. The driver of the Mercedes left the area. The 45 year old man drove a short distance before calling an ambulance and police. He suffered minor head trauma that included a swollen lip, a black eye and he lost a tooth.

The driver of the Mercedes is described as a Caucasian male in his 30's, 5'6", with a shaved head and a tattoo on his chest.

The incident offers several lessons regarding the benefits of responsible driving behaviour as well as issues related to personal conduct and safety.

Abbotsford Police are asking for contact from the driver of the Mercedes and any witnesses to the incident (604-859-5225).

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