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NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Update – APD Investigate VPD Use of Force Incident

Abbotsford – September 20, 2011.

The Abbotsford Police Department is continuing to investigate a use of force incident involving a Vancouver Police Department officer that took place in the 100 block of West Broadway on August 19th, 2011 at 6:45 pm. APD Major Crime detectives are still attempting to identify, locate and interview witnesses to the incident. In addition, the investigation has revealed that two specific individuals named "Sue Ann" and "Mendo" may be witnesses. To date these persons have not offered statements and may have important information to share.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225.

The original release of August 20, 2011 (prepared by Sgt. Elly Sawchuk) is below:

The Abbotsford Police Department has been asked by the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) to assume conduct of an investigation regarding allegations of use of force by an officer during an arrest in the 100 block of West Broadway on August 19th, 2011.

It is alleged the person spat on the officer who then reacted with force. The man suffered minor injuries and was treated and released from a local hospital.

APD are in the early stages of the investigation. In order to preserve the integrity of the investigation APD will refrain from disclosing any further details at this time.

The Office of the Police Complaints Commissioner has been notified.

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