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## **INFORMATION RELEASE**

Subject: Injury Motor Vehicle Collision Date: 02-03-09

From: Sgt. Hatch

Case or Incident # 090203-013

Summary: On 02-03-09 at about 1906 hours, the Juneau Police Dept. and Capitol City Fire Rescue responded to a report of a two vehicle motor vehicle collision at the 5100 block of N. Douglas Hwy. Investigation revealed a 1997 Jeep Cherokee was travelling inbound on N. Douglas Hwy. A 2003 Dodge Stratus was travelling outbound on N. Douglas Hwy. The Stratus crossed into the oncoming lane into the path of the Jeep causing a collision.

The collision resulted in both vehicles being totaled. A five year old passenger in the Dodge was taken by ambulance to Bartlett Regional Hospital and ultimately flown to Seattle for treatment of serious injuries.

North Douglas Hwy was closed for about 2 hours while the crash investigation was conducted. The road surface was covered in ice and snow and is suspected as a factor in the collision. Alcohol is not believed to be involved and the investigation is continuing.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.