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PRESS RELEASE

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Case Number: 16ES06555 - Update

Narrative: This morning at 11:08 the Essex Police were notified of an accident between a train and one car on Central Street near the train station. Emergency services were dispatched to the area including Fire, Rescue and Police.

The operator and sole occupant had been transported to the hospital with injuries (unknown at this time). The operator was identified as 54 year old Jane Rowe of Essex Jct.

North Street and Central Street was closed for several hours during the investigation.

It appears from evidence gathered that the railroad crossing lights and audible signal had been activated for almost 50 seconds before Rowe's vehicle drove over the railroad tracks directly in front of the train. The NECR Engineer and Conductor both applied the train's emergency brakes when the collision occurred. We do not anticipate any criminal charges at this.

This crash is still under investigation and there are no additional details at this time.

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