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INFORMATION PAPER FOR THE DULLES CORRIDOR COMMITTEE ON VEHICLE ACCIDENT STATISTICS FOR THE DULLES TOLL ROAD (DTR)

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DTR Reportable Vehicle Accident Statistics Number of Accidents 40.0 35.0 30.0 25.0 20.0 15.0 10.0 **~~**2012 5.0 0.0 Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sept Oct Nov Feb Dec Jan

DTR accidents **Declined 24%** from 2011 to 2012

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DTR Accidents

Causes and Contributing Factors:

- Drivers Failing to Pay Full Time and Attention.
- Weather Related Accidents Decreased from 2011 to 2012.

DTR Enforcement:

- Virginia Chiefs of Police Association First Place in the Special Enforcement Group "Best Traffic Safety Program" and "Rookie of the Year" for the best new entry in the Commonwealth.
- International Association of Chiefs of Police First Place "Outstanding Highway Safety Program."

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this informational paper is to provide information about reportable accidents on the DTR for 2011 and 2012.

BACKGROUND

Reportable accidents are defined by the Code of Virginia as accidents that involve at least one of the following elements:

- Death to any person
- Personal injury (or claim of injury)
- Total property damage exceeding \$1,500

In 2011, there were a total of 330 reportable accidents on the DTR. In 2011, three fatalities occurred as a result of the accidents. Through September 2012, there were a total of 184 reportable accidents on the DTR as compared to 242 for the same time period for 2011. Year-to-date (September), there have been no fatalities on the Dulles Toll Road.

CONCLUSION

The year-to-date (September) total of 184 reportable accidents on the DTR represents a 24 percent decrease over the same time period for 2011. The 2011 DTR Crash Data and Statistics Report, prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., will provide additional information pertaining to accidents on the DTR when it becomes available later this year.

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