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Accident Involving a Motorcycle

On Wednesday, May 9, 2007 at 2:08 p.m. police were called to the area of Harleysville Pike and Maple Avenue in Franconia Township for a vehicle accident involving a motorcycle and stake body truck.

Witnesses state that a Honda motorcycle pulled out into traffic on Harleysville Pike from Maple Avenue and was struck by a stake body truck traveling south on Harleysville Pike. After striking the front of the truck the motorcycle then hit the guiderail.

The driver of the Honda 600RR was identified as Michael Linko, 28, of the 700 block of Thornberry Drive in Harleysville. Linko was flown by University of Pennsylvania Medivac to Hahnemann Hospital. He was wearing his helmet. The extent of his injuries and current condition are unknown at this time.

The driver of the Ford F550 stake body truck was identified as Kristopher Puccella, 32, of the 12000 block of Abby Road in Philadelphia.

Lower Salford Township Police Department, Harleysville Fire Company, Harleysville Area EMS, and Grandview Hospital's Ambulance assisted police on scene. Harleysville Pike was closed in both directions for approximately 1½ hours. This accident is still under investigation.

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