

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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**CASE NUMBER: 2008-6964**

**DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: 09-06-2008 @ 6:00 P.M.**

**DATE/TIME OF RELEASE: 09-07-2008 @ 5:00 A.M.**

**NATURE OF STORY: Train versus pedestrian crash**

**LOCATION: Union Pacific railroad tracks near 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
and Deal Street - Junction City.**

**INVOLVED VEHICLE: Union Pacific cargo train.**

**INVOLVED PEDESTRAIN: Unidentified female, unknown age**

**UPDATED DESCRIPTION: White female approximately 40-45 years  
130-140 lbs, 51/2 feet tall, brown eyes  
Brown collar length, wavy hair  
Small tattoo of words "far out" on left hand**

**DETAILS: On 09-06-2008 at 6:00 p.m., the Lane County Sheriff's Office responded to a train versus pedestrian crash near 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Deal Street in Junction City. During the incident an unidentified, unknown age female was struck by a Union Pacific cargo train. The female suffered a deep laceration to the back of her head and was transported to Riverbend Hospital, where she was reported to be in serious condition. The female had no identification on her person or belongings and appears to be a transient.**

**The investigation revealed that the Union Pacific train was traveling southbound through Junction City, negotiating a sweeping corner near the crash location. The train engineer spotted a person lying next to the tracks, at which point an emergency stop was initiated.**

**The train was unable to stop before striking the female, whose head appeared to be resting against the tracks. The female did not respond to the train horn as the emergency stop was in progress and alcohol consumption on her part appears to be a factor.**

**Anyone with information on this crash or the identity of the involved female is asked to call the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 682-4141**

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