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Whitesville Road Closed to Traffic Following Overturned Tanker Truck

LaGrange, Ga. January 30, 2019 – Whitesville Road in LaGrange was closed to traffic much of Tuesday, January 29th due to an overturned tanker truck leaking gasoline. It is currently open to traffic.

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, January 29, the LaGrange Fire Department responded to the report of a tanker truck on its side off the roadway in the 1700 block of Whitesville Road.

Engine One arrived on the scene at 0109 to find a gasoline tanker in the ditch off the side of roadway. The tanker was carrying gasoline and was leaking.

Fire crews took action to contain runoff. Cleanup crews responded and began the process of containing and offloading the product.

Whitesville Road was closed from approximately 0110 hours to 1500 hours.

A company spokesperson for Petroleum Transport Company, INC (PTC) stated the driver was treated and released from the hospital. He also estimated that 282 gallons of gasoline leaked from the tanker during the incident.

Cleanup crews are expected to return the morning of January 30, 2019 to continue cleanup of the site.

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