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TRUCK SHOOTING **CUBA, NM**

On November 23, 2007 at approximately 7:15PM, an "R&L Stage lines" semi truck, operated by Mr. William Bamfield (DOB 4-1954, from Farmington) was traveling southbound on U.S. 550, milepost 167. The semi truck is a contract operator for the United States Postal Service. The semi did not carry any symbols identifying it as a Postal Truck. The driver noticed a dark colored, 4 door sedan, parked on the shoulder of the northbound traffic lanes of U.S. 550. After passing the vehicle, the driver saw the vehicle turn around and approach semi-truck from behind. The vehicle then pulled into the northbound lanes as if to pass the semi. Someone in the vehicle then shot rounds at the driver in the cab of the truck. The driver was struck in the left thigh by a medium caliber bullet. The driver stopped the semi due to his vehicle sustain a ruptured brake line from the bullets. The dark sedan continued southbound and Mr. Bamfield was unable to get a better description of the vehicle. Mr. Bamfield was taken to UNMH. He is in stable condition. New Mexico State Police believe that four rounds were fired at this semi truck.

Thirty minutes (estimate) earlier the same day, a semi traveling northbound on U.S. 550 around area, sustain shots from a motor vehicle. The operator of that Semi-truck was a Mr. Victor Delgarito (DOB 3-1956 from Albuquerque). State Police did not find out about this case until later, due to the truck driver continuing his trip up to Farmington, where he reported this incident to authorities.

If you have any information concerning the above incidents, New Mexico State Police would greatly appreciate your help. You can contact the District 5 Albuquerque Office, Criminal Investigations at (505) 841-9273.

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