

Media Statement

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Dangerous driving charge approved against Vancouver Police Officer

Victoria - The BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) announced today that a charge of dangerous driving causing bodily harm has been approved against a member of the Vancouver Police Department in relation to an on-duty collision with a pedestrian on January 6, 2018.

The Independent Investigation Office (IIO) was notified of the incident and subsequently conducted an investigation.

Following an investigation, where the Chief Civilian Director of the IIO determines that an officer may have committed an offence, the IIO submits a report to the BCPS.

An Information charging Cst. Andrew Peters with a single count of dangerous driving causing bodily harm, contrary to section 249(3) of the *Criminal Code*, was sworn on January 25, 2019 under Vancouver Provincial Court file number 253832. An appearance in the case has been scheduled for February 7, 2019 in Vancouver Provincial Court.

The Charge Assessment Guidelines applied by the BCPS in reviewing all Reports to Crown Counsel are established in Branch policy and are available online at:

http://www.gov.bc.ca/charge-assessment-guidelines

As this matter is now before the Court, BCPS is unable to release additional information or comment further at this time.

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