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PRESS RELEASE

INTOXICATION ASSAULT 3RD DEGREE FELONY

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On Wednesday September 2nd, 2015, at 3:50 am San Benito Police responded to the northbound lanes of Expressway 77/83 by the Ratliff Street overpass in reference to a motor vehicle crash. When the first Police Units arrived they observed a Red Ford F-150 and a Gold in color Chrysler SUV that were involved in the crash. The Police Officers then made contact with the driver of the red pickup who was identified as 32 year old Maria Rivera-Pineda out of Harlingen who advised the Officers that she was going home when the crashed occurred. Information gathered from the Investigating Officers at the scene revealed that Maria G. Pineda-Rivera was driving south on the Northbound lanes of Expressway 77/83, and had crashed her red pickup against the Chrysler SUV driven by a 36 year old male who suffered injuries that required for him to be transported to a local hospital for treatment. Police Investigators detected signs of impairment on Maria Rivera-Pineda as well as several beer cans inside the pickup truck. Maria G. Rivera-Pineda was also transported to a local hospital to receive medical treatment, and was released from the hospital on 09/04/2015. Maria Rivera-Pineda was then taken to City Jail where she charged with Intoxication Assault, and arraigned by Municipal Judge David Garza who set bond at \$50,000.

All people are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of Law