Monday rollover causes gas leak

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The wreck involved one vehicle—a white SUV—that lost control on 12th Avenue and collided with the metal guardrail around a natural gas meter about a half-block west of the Grand Street intersection. Emporia Police Department, Kansas Gas Service, and Westar Energy responded to the scene.

The vehicle dislodged the railing and pushed it against a utility pole. The wreck did cause a gas leak, which Kansas Gas crew members were able to shut off within 20 minutes of the incident. The SUV overturned on its driver’s side. Scanner traffic indicated two occupants were being treated by EFD ambulances, Emporia Fire Department Battalion Chief Rich Gould said. “EFD fire crews and EMS officers were evacuating one block around the gas leak. Once the gas leak was stopped by EFD crews, the occupants were allowed back into their vehicle,” Gould said.

Gould added the occupants of the vehicle and a bystander were transported to Newman Regional Health for further treatment. The cause of the accident is under investigation.

The Emporia Fire Department Battallion Chief Rich Gould said, “This was a very friendly community,” Gould said. “With the other officers, I learned a lot,” she said. “I’ve learned a lot about getting to know a stranger and they’ve been very helpful and friendly.”

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