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BC Prosecution Service approves *Motor Vehicle Act* charges against Midway RCMP officer

Victoria – The BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) announced today that two charges under the *Motor Vehicle Act* have been approved against a member of the Midway RCMP, Cst. Christopher Odgaard, following an incident that occurred in Greenwood on July 1, 2024.

The incident was investigated by the Independent Investigations Office (IIO) and referred to the BCPS for charge assessment. An Information charging Christopher Odgaard with one count of driving without due care and attention, contrary to section 144(1)(a) of the *Motor Vehicle Act*, and one count of failing to safely execute a reverse turn (U-turn), contrary to section 168(a) of the *Motor Vehicle Act*. The Information was sworn on June 10, 2025, under Grand Forks provincial court file number 24008-1. The first appearance on this matter is scheduled for June 30, 2025.

The charges were approved by an experienced Crown Counsel who has no connection with the accused. The charge assessment guidelines applied by Crown Counsel in reviewing all Reports to Crown Counsel are established in the BC Prosecution Service Crown Counsel Policy Manual and are available online at:

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

BCPS guidelines for assessing allegations against peace officers are also established in policy and are available at:

www.gov.bc.ca/allegations-against-peace-officers

As these matters are now before the court, the BCPS will not be releasing any additional information or commenting further at this time.

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