



## Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office **NEWS RELEASE**

Fran McLaughlin  
Public Information Officer  
Cell: 414-254-9488  
Phone: 414-278-5226  
frances.mclaughlin@milwaukeecountywi.gov

Richard R. Schmidt  
Acting Sheriff

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
February 19, 2018

### Sheriff's Office Truck Enforcement Takes Dangerous Hauler Off Freeway Citizen Call Alerts Deputies of the Hazard



Milwaukee, WI – Today, at about 6:40 a.m., a 911 caller reported an unsafe car hauler traveling on I-41 southbound near Bluemound Road. A truck enforcement deputy was able to locate and stop the vehicle which was coming from Eagle River on its way to Miller Compressing. The truck had serious violations and had to be escorted off the freeway by multiple squads for safety.

The hauler was only allowed to carry four vehicles, but had eight vehicles stacked up on the trailer bed and also towed behind. The two being towed behind the car hauler were on top of each other, with the top vehicle secured only by a tie strap attached to the handles of the bottom car (see photo, top right).

Sheriff Richard Schmidt said, “In the last quarter of 2017 I ordered the resurrection of the Truck Enforcement Unit. Our highly trained deputies are actively targeting trucks that jeopardize the safety of the motoring public. The public is encouraged to call 911 immediately if they see trucks with obvious violations on the expressway.”

The trucking company was owned by the operator who was cited for five equipment and safety violations. The truck was taken out of service until the violations are fixed.

###

For more information about the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office, visit our website at [www.mksheriff.org](http://www.mksheriff.org) and our facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/MilwaukeeCountySheriff>  
Follow us on Twitter @MCSOSheriff