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Sheriff Stops Reckless Driver on Freeway

Milwaukee, WI – Acting Sheriff Richard Schmidt stopped a driver in the Mitchell interchange, I-43 southbound near Howard Avenue, who was going more than 30 mph over the speed limit and cutting in and out of lanes of traffic yesterday at about 5:25 p.m.

Sheriff Schmidt, who has extensive patrol experience, paced the vehicle with his speedometer and determined it was going approximately 80 mph in a 50 mph zone.

Sheriff Schmidt said, "I've made it clear through our saturation speed patrols that stopping reckless drivers on our freeways is a priority. Keeping drivers safe from those whose dangerous driving behaviors show a disregard for the lives of others on the road is a public safety issue."

The driver, Luis A. Lopez Rosario, age 37, of Milwaukee, admitted he was speeding, and that he had a hypodermic needle in his coat pocket. He was driving with a suspended license. Rosario successfully completed field sobriety tests. He was issued citations for Unreasonable and Imprudent Speed, Operating After Suspension, Unsafe Cutting In When Passing, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked and released from the county jail.

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