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## Grants Pass DMV documents among items in theft at UPS

Oregon DMV will be contacting customers and is taking other precautionary steps after a theft at the UPS office in Grants Pass last weekend.

Customers who did business at the Grants Pass DMV field office on Thursday, July 31, may be affected.

Among the stolen items was a daily transaction report for July 31, including 162 driver-related documents and 226 vehicle-related documents, and some returned driver licenses received by the DMV office in Grants Pass. An exact number of potentially affected individuals is not yet known.

No cash or checks were included with the stolen documents.

UPS picked up the documents Friday, and the break-in took place sometime over the weekend. The UPS supervisor in Grants Pass reported the theft to DMV on Monday.

DMV alerted all its field offices immediately about the document theft and has contacted UPS for further information.

DMV is determining which customers may be affected, so that they can be notified of the theft. Depending upon the type of transaction, their record may be flagged to alert DMV staff in case someone attempts to apply for a driver license or ID card in the customer's name. DMV soon will be contacting customers to notify them that they may be affected by the document theft. In some cases, DMV may not be able to determine exactly who applied for new vehicle titles on July 31, so the agency may simply contact the individual whose name is listed on the title.

Anyone who suspects they may be a victim of ID theft for any reason should act immediately to protect their financial interests. Here are links to guides on ID theft:

Oregon Department of Justice: http://www.doj.state.or.us/finfraud/idtheft.shtml U.S. Department of Justice: http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fraud/websites/idtheft.html

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