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Truck-Tractor Semitrailer Rollover and Motorcoach Collision With Overturned Truck, Interstate Highway 94 Near Osseo, Wisconsin October 16, 2005



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Introduction

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- Wisconsin Department of Transportation
- Wisconsin State Patrol
- Whole Foods Market
- Chippewa Trails, Inc.
- Haldex Brake Products Corporation
- Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems, L.L.C.
- Motor Coach Industries, Inc.
- Ryder Logistics and Transportation



Safety Issues

- Operator Fatigue
- Fatigue Technologies and Countermeasures
- Collision Warning Systems



View of Accident Scene







Accident Description

- 7:30 p.m., October 15, 2005
- 436-mile trip from Munster, Indiana, to Minnesota
- At 1:58 a.m., had completed 323 miles of trip



Tractor-Trailer Departure and Overturn





Accident Description

- 11:00 p.m., left University of Wisconsin near Whitewater on 225-mile trip
- Completed 195 miles
- In right-hand lane of I-94
- No precrash skidmarks but passengers felt deceleration

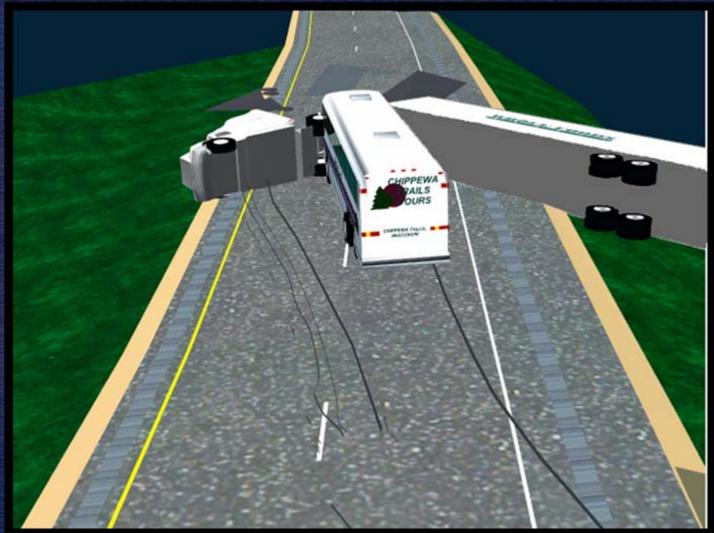


Motorcoach Collision Sequence (1)





Motorcoach Collision Sequence (2)



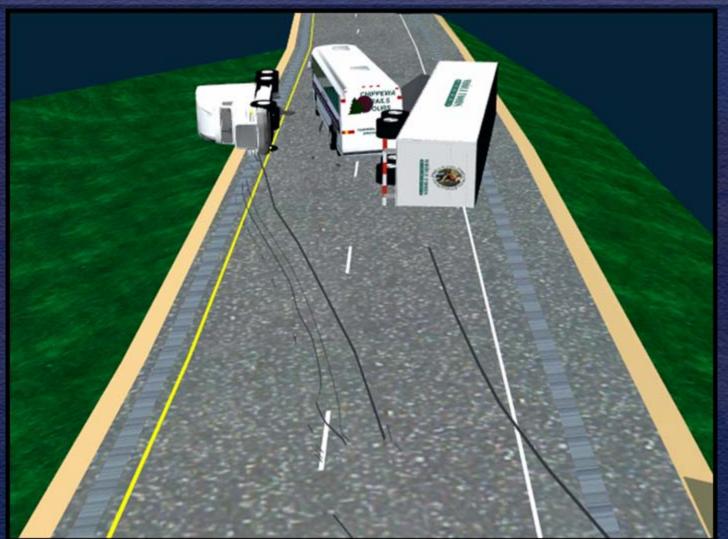


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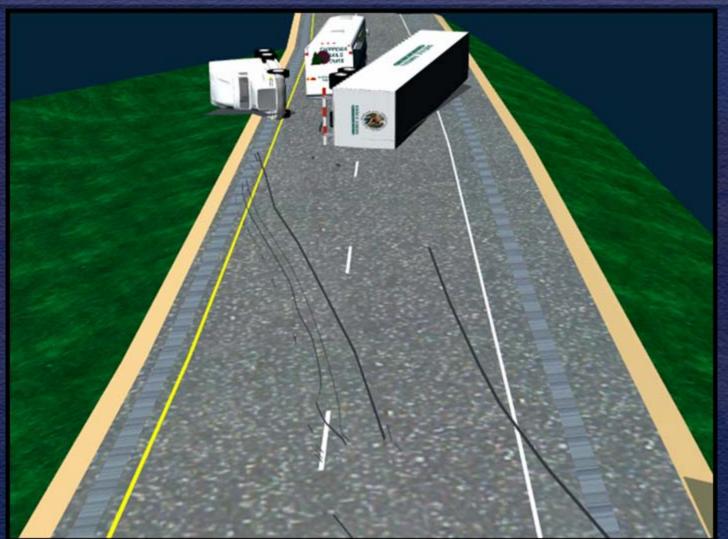


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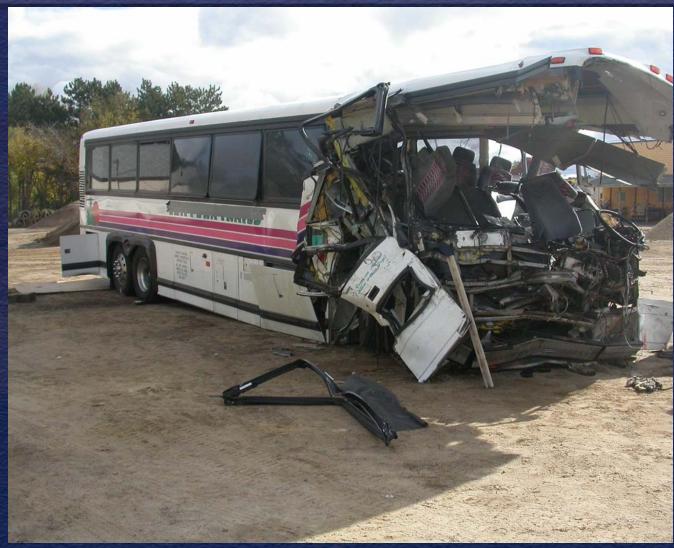


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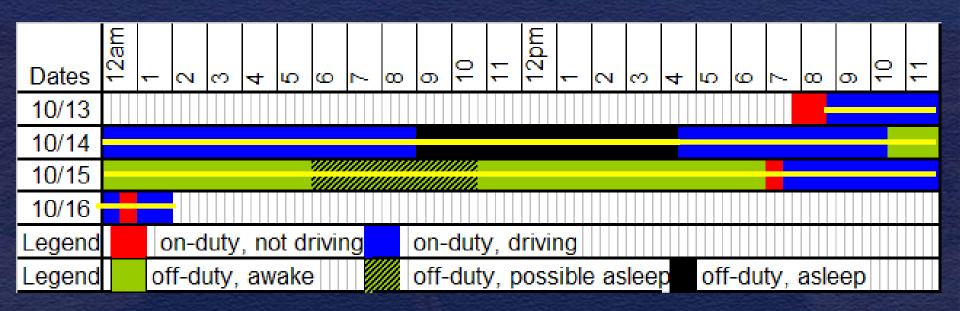


View of Motorcoach





Truck Driver Activities





Truck Driver Fatigue

- At most, the truck driver obtained 12.5 hours of sleep in the 2 days before the accident
- Less than 5 hours of sleep in last sleep period
- Was awake for at least 15 hours before the accident
- Sleep was disrupted by alcohol use
- Accident occurred at 1:58 a.m.



Truck Driver Fatigue, Cont'd.

- Driver said he was "pulling over"
- Truck traveling about 66-70 mph
- Roadway departure was at 3 degrees
- Witnesses observed truck drifting
- Driver was asleep





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