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### **“Status of Westminster Man Upgraded after Work Related Accident”**

**Westminster, Carroll County, Maryland, August 5, 2011** ---- Just before 8:30 a.m. this morning, Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of an injured man at Shelter Systems Limited located at 1025 Meadow Branch Road. The man, 23 year old John Owen Hollis of Westminster, had reportedly been stacking wooden trusses onto a stacked pallet within the warehouse complex when one of the 35 pound trusses fell backwards, striking him in the head before he collapsed and fell unconscious.

Consequently, Hollis was transported to the University of Maryland Adams Crowley Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore in critical condition. Hollis' awoke a short time ago and has spoken with physicians and investigators; his condition has been upgraded to stable. Sheriff's investigators, along with the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Administration are examining the events leading to the workplace accident. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Detective Sergeant Jesse DiMura of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office at 410-386-2570. The investigation continues...

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