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HPD Locates Skimming Device on Local Gas Pump

Harrisonburg, VA – On April 11, 2017 officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) responded to the Exxon station at 1735 Reservoir St. and discovered what they believed to be a credit/debit card skimmer installed on one of the gas pumps. A skimmer is a device that can be used to capture information from a credit or debit card. This information can be subsequently used or sold for fraudulent purposes.

It is unknown if this specific device was successful in capturing card information from any customers or exactly how long the device may have been present on the pump. Customers who may have used a credit card at this location should remain vigilant for fraudulent charges. Customers should contact their banking institution with any specific questions about potentially fraudulent charges prior to contacting police.

The Harrisonburg Police Department wants to remind the public to always beware of any suspicious devices on gas pumps, ATM's or other card readers and to report suspicious devices to the police.

Anyone with information which could identify the offender(s) in this case should contact the Major Crimes Unit at (540) 437-2640. Callers can provide anonymous tips at CrimeSolvers: 540-574-5050 or text "HPD" plus the tip to CRIMES (274637). Witnesses are reminded that CrimeSolvers may award monetary compensation for providing beneficial information regarding this or other criminal investigations.

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This is not a photo from the station. It is a sample picture with a comparison of a card reader with a skimming device attached (red circle) and without a skimming device.

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