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Felony Arson - 1423 Pasadena Freeway

On Thursday, August 31st, at approximately 11:15 am, our dispatch center received a 9-1-1 call from an employee at the Air Products chemical plant located at 1423 Pasadena Freeway, stating that a female had driven into their facility, struck a water line, and was currently wielding a knife at employees.

Officers immediately responded to the scene, where they found the subject lying on the ground, bleeding heavily from her wrists and ankles. Officers rendered emergency first aid to the female, who would eventually be transported to HCA Southeast Hospital via ambulance for treatment.

During the preliminary investigation, officers were able to determine that the suspect drove her vehicle through a closed gate into a secured area, striking a cluster of pipes and rupturing a water line. Employees of the facility approached the suspect, who began cutting her wrists and the back of her lower legs near her ankles.

Investigators later concluded that the female had attempted to start a fire with a gas can she had before being approached by the facility's employees. Due to the nature of the crime, FBI Houston responded to the scene and assisted with the investigation.

The suspect has been identified as Meredith Cunningham-Soto W/F 11-28-81. Cunningham-Soto has been charged with Felony Arson.

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