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Woman hospitalized after dog attack

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A woman has been hospitalized after being attacked by a dog that leaped from a vehicle in the parking lot of a Virginia Beach gas station on Thursday.

The woman sustained "serious injuries" to her throat and underwent surgery, police spokeswoman Margie Long said. There was no information on her condition, but Long said the woman was conscious following surgery.

The Akita that attacked the woman is being quarantined by animal control officers while the incident is being investigated.

Long said charges are pending against the dog's owner.

According to the police report, the woman was at the Wilco station on Princess Anne Road when the Akita jumped from a vehicle and attacked her until two citizens managed to pull the dog off of her and contain it.

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