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Release Date/Time: December 19th, 2014 at 11:00 PM

Subject: Fatal Traffic Collision

Case Number: 14-018560

Details:

On Friday, December 19th, at about 10:50 AM, the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Edwards Street and Mar Vista Drive regarding an injury traffic collision involving four vehicles and a motorcycle.

Arriving officers located the involved vehicles near the intersection. One of the vehicles, a silver 2002 Toyota Camry, had rolled over during the collision and was resting on its roof. The driver and sole occupant was trapped in the vehicle. Orange County Fire Authority paramedics responded and used heavy rescue equipment to remove the driver. He had major injuries and was transported to UCI Medical Center where he was admitted in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. Next of kin has been notified. He has been identified as Kim Yuan Vo, a 73 year old resident of Stanton.

The other involved vehicles included a black 2013 Nissan Frontier, a black 2010 Lexus RX350, a red 2001 Honda XR650L motorcycle, and a black 2014 Honda Civic. The driver of the Nissan Frontier, a 24 year old male from Los Angeles, had moderate injuries and was admitted to UCI Medical Center where he is in stable condition. The Lexus RX350 was driven by a 63 year old female from San Clemente and had two female passengers, ages 60 and 82. The driver and one passenger were transported to Huntington Beach Hospital with minor injuries. They were released a few hours later. The motorcycle rider, a 27 year old male from Westminster, sustained minor injuries but declined medical attention. No one was injured in the Honda Civic.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the silver Toyota Camry was traveling southbound on Edwards Street when it collided with the black Nissan Frontier and then the black Lexus SUV. The Nissan Frontier collided with the motorcycle and debris from the initial collisions struck the black Honda Civic.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. Investigators would like to speak to anyone who might have seen the events leading up to and including the collision.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Tai Huynh at 714-536-5670 or Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.