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Release Date/Time: March 1, 2017 at 12:00 PM.

Subject: Fatal Traffic Collision

Case Number: 2017-002234

Details:

On Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 3:31 AM, the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Springdale St., and Edinger Ave., regarding a traffic collision involving two vehicles.

Arriving officers located a 19 year old female, resident of Newport Beach, and an 18 year old male, resident of Costa Mesa; travelling in the same vehicle, in need of medical attention and paramedics were requested. The male and female were transported to UCI Medical Center. The female had sustained major injuries and later succumbed from them. Her name will not be released at this time.

The involved driver, 26 year old male resident of Huntington Beach, was arrested at scene for suspicion of driving under the influence.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears one vehicle was traveling east on Edinger Ave., while the other south on Springdale St., when the collision occurred at the intersection.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Response Team (M.I.R.T).

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