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PRESS RELEASE

On 10-23-11 at approximately 1:50 am the Derry Police Department responded to a motor vehicle crash involving a single vehicle on Old Manchester Road. A preliminary investigation revealed that a 2006 Honda Civic was traveling north bound on Old Manchester Road when it left the right side of the roadway, struck a tree and rolled over. A passenger in the vehicle, 24 year old Anthony Mathieu of Goffstown, NH was pronounced deceased at the scene.

A second passenger in the vehicle, 20 year old Brooke Scott of Derry, NH was transported to Parkland Medical Center with non life threatening injuries where she was treated and released.

The operator of the vehicle, 24 year old John Mitchell of Manchester, NH was transported to Parkland Medical Center with non life threatening injuries. Mitchell was subsequently arrested and charged with aggravated DWI, and is currently being held at the Rockingham County House of Corrections in lieu of \$100,000 cash bail. Mitchell will be arraigned at the Derry District Court on 10-24-2011.

The crash is being investigated by the Derry Police Department accident reconstruction team. Speed and alcohol appear to have been a factor in this crash.

UPDATED OCTOBER 24, 2011

Mitchell was arraigned at the 10th Circuit Court – Derry District on October 24, 2011. Derry police amended his charge to Negligent Homicide for the death of his passenger. His bail was continued at \$100,000 cash. He remains in the custody of the Rockingham County Jail. He is scheduled to appear at the Derry Court on October 27th for a probable cause hearing.