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TRAFFIC RELEASE

DATE & TIME **12/20/13 5:22 PM**

Bureau: **Field Services Bureau**

Authorized Supervisor: **Lieutenant Patrick Hoey**

Phone: **815-987-5744**

Incident: **Fatal Hit & Run Traffic Crash, 7600 East State Street -
Arrest**

MESSAGE

On Monday, December 16, 2013 at approximately 9:20 pm Rockford Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to East State Street and Interstate 90 for a pedestrian hit and run traffic crash.

Upon arrival Officers discovered that four male subjects were walking west bound on East State Street just west of the I-90 overpass when two of the subjects were hit by what was described as a dark colored General Motors product Sport Utility Vehicle.

The deceased victim has been identified as 27 year old Liu Weixue, resident of Shanghai China. The second victim is identified as 36 year old Zhang Xin from Shaghai China. Zhang Xin remains in grave condition at the hospital and will not survive his injuries

On Wednesday, December 18th an updated description of the offending vehicle was released. It was described as 1999-2001 GMC Jimmy SUV, missing its black colored passenger's side door mirror, possibly maroon in color or have after-market maroon colored front spoiler. The vehicle will have front end and passenger's side damage.

On Thursday, December 19th Rockford Police Traffic Investigators, following up on a lead went to a home at 2134 Pengate Parkway in Belvidere, IL. On Friday, December 20th Rockford Police Traffic Investigators, with the assistance of the Boone County Sheriff's Department executed a search warrant at the residence and located a maroon 1999 GMC Jimmy in the attached garage. The vehicle had significant front end and passenger side damage.

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With the assistance of the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office an arrest warrant was issued for the registered owner of the GMC Jimmy.

On Friday, December 20th at approximately 4:00pm Rockford Police Traffic Investigators arrested the owner of the GMC Jimmy at 2134 Pengate Parkway in Belvidere.

Charged:

Dean H. McCullough - Male, White, 04/28/1964, resident of 2134 Pengate Parkway.

Charges:

Failure of owner to make notification of motor vehicle accident
Failure of registered owner to maintain liability insurance
Bond \$500,000.00

The charges against McCullough are accusations and he is presumed guilty until proven innocent.

This case is still under investigation and anyone with information on this crash is urged to call the Rockford Police Department at 815-987-5824 or Crime Stoppers.

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