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DATE & TIME **09/02/13 4:14 AM**

Bureau: **Administrative Services Bureau**

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Incident: **Fatal Traffic Crash - 5600 11th Street**

MESSAGE

At around 12:13 am on 09/02/2013, Rockford Police Officers were sent to the area of 5600 11th Street in reference to a traffic crash. Upon arrival, officers located a sport utility vehicle (SUV) and a car in the ditch. A male passenger in the car was pronounced dead at the scene. The name of the male is being withheld at this time pending notification of next of kin. One other passenger in the car and the driver of the SUV were transported to local hospitals with non-life threatening injuries

Officers conducting the investigation learned that the SUV was traveling north on 11th Street and collided with the rear of the car and both vehicles left the roadway. Rockford Police Department Traffic Investigators are conducting a follow up investigation into the incident. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the crash and charges are pending at this time.

During the follow up investigation, 11th Street between Samuelson Road and Blackhawk Road will be closed for several hours for north and south bound traffic.

Anyone with information concerning the incident is encouraged to contact the Rockford Police shift commander at (815)987-5824 or Crime Stoppers at (815)963-7867.

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