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NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Update – Abbotsford Police Investigate Fatal Collision in Surrey

Abbotsford - August 4, 2011

On January 31, 2011 a collision took place that resulted in the death of an 18 year old female pedestrian who was struck by an RCMP patrol vehicle on King George Boulevard near 98th Avenue. On July 27, 2011 the Abbotsford Police Department were contacted by Regional Crown Counsel regarding the investigative submission that was forwarded concerning this incident.

Abbotsford Police Department Major Crime Unit detectives and Collision Reconstructionists provided a comprehensive report that included the examination of physical evidence, extensive electronic information downloads, witness statements and a reconstruction of the events that culminated in a terrible, tragic collision. After thorough examination of all of the facts presented, Regional Crown Counsel determined that there was insufficient evidence to support a charge against the driver.

It is impossible to be involved in incidents of this magnitude without acknowledging the impact to everyone involved, most importantly the friends and family of the young woman whose life ended far too soon. The Abbotsford Police Department again would like to offer our condolences to these individuals as they continue dealing with their loss.

Below is the Initial News Release:

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Abbotsford – February 1, 2011.

Last night at 9:40 pm an 18 year old female pedestrian was struck by a marked Surrey RCMP vehicle on King George Highway near 98th Avenue. Unfortunately the young woman succumbed to her injuries in hospital a short time later. The Abbotsford Police Department was requested to investigate the incident and has supplied a team of investigators and Collision Reconstructionists. The RCMP member involved in the collision has approximately 2 years experience. The young woman was not known to police.

Abbotsford Police Department is requesting that any witnesses to the incident contact us at 604-859-5225.

Regardless of the details of the collision, and the progress of the investigation, we recognize that a loss of life is a tragedy. We wish to extend our condolences to the family of the young woman.

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