State of Connecticut
Department of Public Safety / Division of State Police

ACCIDENT INFORMATION SUMMARY

State Police Troop: F, Westbrook
Case Number: DPS-04-064265
Notations: Traffic: M Weather: CL Lane 2 of 4 Direction of Travel: N S E W

Investigating Trooper: C. Cope # 808
Date: 12/22/04 Time: 0848

No. & Type of Veh's Involved: Van vs. Car (Passenger Car, Truck, Bus, Etc.)
Related Information: Bridge Barrier (Pedestrian, Pole, Bridge Abutment, Etc)

Town / City: Old Saybrook
Location of Accident: I-95 N/B Exit 69/Exit 70 (Baldwin)
Utility Pole Name & Number (If Applicable):
Other (Specify): (Bridge)

Oper #1: Oconnell, Catherine
DOB: 4/12/35 Gender: ☐M ☒F
Address: 14 Chestnut Street,
Town: South Norwalk State: CT. Zip: 06854
Oper. Lic. # 047619637 Type: 2 State: CT.
Owner #1: School Sisters Of Notre Dame
Address: 345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, CT.
Registration Plate: VL6517 State: CT.
Make: Chevy Model: Cavalier Year: 2000
VIN: #1G1JC5244Y7291610
Seatbelt(s): ☒Yes ☐No Airbag: ☒Yes (Deployed ☐Y ☒N) ☐No ☐N/A
Insurance Company: Cincinnati Insurance Co
Insurance Policy #: COP2314276
Injuries: Op-Critical/2-Passenger Deceased
Vehicle Damage: Extensive rear end
Vehicle Towed: ☐No ☒Yes, Troop"F"(Tire Country)
Occupant(s): [Name / DOB / Address / Position in Veh]
R/Front- Caroline A. Carroll SR. 6/20/33
R/Rear- Rita E. Sheehan 11/11/21
Both resided at #345 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, CT. 06897

Oper #2: Valencia, Cesar, A.
DOB: 07/06/82 Gender: ☒M ☐F
Address: #139 Milton Road
Town: Bristol State: CT. Zip: 06010
Oper. Lic. # Unknown at this time Type: State: -----
Owner #2: Ferazzoli Import NE INC.
Address: 234 Middle Street, Middletown, CT.
Registration Plate: 314-LU State: CT.
Make: GMC Model: Savana Year: 2004
VIN: #1GTHG39U841127486
Seatbelt(s): ☒Yes ☐No Airbag: ☒Yes (Deployed ☒Y ☐N) ☐No ☐N/A
Insurance Company: One Beacon
Insurance Policy #: PBAT0605843
Injuries: Both occupants-Minor Injuries
Vehicle Damage: Moderate front end
Vehicle Towed: ☐No ☒Yes Troop"F"(Tire Country)
Occupant(s): [Name / DOB / Address / Position in Veh]
R/Front- Douglas B. Edwards 9/24/65
#76 Fair Street, Wallingford, CT. 06492

Oper #3:
DOB: Gender: ☐M ☐F
Address:
Town: State: Zip:
Oper. Lic. # Type: State:
Owner #3:
Address:
Registration Plate: State:
Make: Model: Year:
VIN:
Seatbelt(s): ☐Yes ☐No Airbag: ☐Yes (Deployed ☐Y ☐N) ☐No ☐N/A
Insurance Company:
Insurance Policy #:
Injuries:
Vehicle Damage:
Vehicle Towed: ☐No ☐Yes,
Occupant(s): [Name / DOB / Address / Position in Veh]

Oper #4:
DOB: Gender: ☐M ☐F
Address:
Town: State: Zip:
Oper. Lic. # Type: State:
Owner #4:
Address:
Registration Plate: State:
Make: Model: Year:
VIN:
Seatbelt(s): ☐Yes ☐No Airbag: ☐Yes (Deployed ☐Y ☐N) ☐No ☐N/A
Insurance Company:
Insurance Policy #:
Injuries:
Vehicle Damage:
Vehicle Towed: ☐No ☐Yes,
Occupant(s): [Name / DOB / Address / Position in Veh]

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Brief Description of Accident

Vehicle#1 was stopped on I-95 N/B, South of Exit 70 in the right center lane of four on the Baldwin Bridge in Old Saybrook. Vehicle#2 was traveling on I-95N/B in the right center lane and struck the rear of Vehicle#1. Vehicle#1 was pushed to the right side of the highway, striking the concrete barrier of the bridge. Vehicle#2 traveled to the left side of the highway and came to final rest across the left shoulder and left lane. Vehicle#1 sustained severe front end damage which resulted in the three occupants entrapment. Vehicle#1's right front passenger (Carroll) and the right rear passenger(Sheehan), were both pronounced dead at the scene by Middlesex Hospital Paramedics. Vehicle#1's Operator (Oconnell) was extricated from the vehicleand flown via Lifestar to Hartford Hospital where she is currently listed in critical condition. Vehicle#2 sustained moderate front end damage, with both occupants sustaining minor injuries. They were both transported to the Middlesex Shoreline Clinic in Essex via ambulance for their minor injuries

The accident is currently under investigation. Anyone who witnessed the collission is asked to contact the Connecticut State Police Troop"F" in Westbrook at (860) 399-2100.

This investigation is: XXX *Open / Continuing* ☐ *Closed*

MEDICAL ATTENTION:

#1 Ambulance XX Yes, Company Lifestar Helicopter ☐ No
Patient Name: Oconnell, Catherine
Hospital Hartford
Injuries Multi-Trauma (Serious Injury)

#2 Ambulance XX Yes, Company Old Saybrook ☐ No
Patient Name: Valencia, Cesar+Edwards Douglas
Hospital Middlesex Shoreline Clinic
Injuries Minor (Complaints of pain)

~~#3 Ambulance ☐ Yes, Company _____ ☐ No~~
~~Patient Name: _____~~
~~Hospital _____~~
~~Injuries _____~~

#4 Ambulance ☐ Yes, Company _____ ☐ No
Patient Name: _____
Hospital _____
Injuries _____

FATALITIES: ***Do Not Release Unless Next of Kin Notified***

Name Caroline Carroll 6/20/33
Next of Kin Notified? XX Yes ☐ No
Name _____
Next of Kin Notified? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name Rita Sheehan 11/11/21
Next of Kin Notified? XX Yes ☐ No
Name _____
Next of Kin Notified? ☐ Yes ☐ No

ENFORCEMENT ACTION: None as of this time (Under Investigation)

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Supervisor's Approval Required: Signature Sgt S. Mill # 1160 Date 12/22/04