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Fatal Hit & Run Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives are conducting a hit and run investigation that resulted in a fatality. The incident occurred on Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

At approximately 10:15 a.m., Officers from East Precinct attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Interstate-59 Northbound after observing a white dually truck traveling at a high rate of speed, erratically, endangering traveling motorist. The suspect in the vehicle refused to yield to emergency equipment and exited the interstate. Officers lost sight of the suspect's vehicle. Shortly after, Officers discovered a traffic accident at the intersection of Parkway East and Springville Road.

The Officer stopped at the location to render aid. The vehicle was occupied by two adults and two children. Birmingham Fire and Rescue responded to the scene and transported all four occupants to the hospital. Traffic Accident Investigators were notified that a child seated in the rear of the vehicle succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased by hospital staff. The driver of the vehicle sustained life threatening injuries. The other adult passenger and child sustained non-life threatening injuries.

Preliminary investigation suggest the vehicle officers observed driving erratically struck the vehicle at the intersection of Parkway East & Springville Road and fled the location.

At approximately 3:15 p.m. the suspect's vehicle was recovered by the Fultondale Police Department within the City limits of Fultondale. The suspect is still at large. This is an ongoing investigation.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Investigation Bureau @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

*The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed**

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