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PRESS RELEASE

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Case Number: 13ES02874

On May 26, 2013 at 10:06 PM the Essex Police Department responded to a pedestrian versus single car motor vehicle accident on Susie Wilson Road near the area of the Bagel Market.

53 year old Robert Bates of South Hero, Vermont was walking across the 4 lane roadway when he was struck by a 2003 Saturn Ion owned and operated by 21 year old Shannon Russell of Essex, Vermont who was traveling northbound.

A portion of Susie Wilson Road had to be closed to traffic for approximately 2 ½ hours while officers investigated the accident.

Bates was transported to the Fletcher Emergency Department by Essex Rescue to be treated for multiple injuries.

The operator of the vehicle was not intoxicated. Speed does not appear to be a factor.

The accident is still under investigation.

Issued by: Cpl. John Dunn