Troopers Investigating a Serious Hit and Run Crash Involving a Bicyclist in Bethany Beach

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Bethany Beach, DE– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit has been requested by Bethany Beach Police Department to investigate a hit and run crash seriously injuring a bicyclist.

The incident occurred around 11:09 p.m., Wednesday June 29, 2016, as a 20-year-old female foreign national residing in Ocean View, was riding her bicycle southbound on the southbound shoulder of Kent Avenue just north of Jefferson Bridge Road. An unknown make and model S.U.V., black in color, operated by an unknown subject was traveling southbound on Kent Ave approaching the bicyclist from behind. For unknown reasons, the vehicle struck the bicycle from behind knocking the female to the ground in the right lane just east of the south bound fog line. The unknown vehicle and operator continued south on Kent Avenue without slowing or stopping.

The female bicyclist was initially transported to Beebe Healthcare by EMS where she was stabilized before being flown by Lifenet to Christiana Medical Center where she has been admitted in critical condition. She was not wearing a helmet nor did she have a light affixed to her bicycle at the time of the collision, however, the bicycle did have the appropriate reflectors. Her name and country of origin are being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

No further description of the vehicle or operator were able to

be obtained during the preliminary investigation.

If anyone has any information in reference to this collision, they are asked to contact Master Corporal J. Burns at 302-703-3266. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword “DSP.”

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