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**MEDIA RELEASE**

<b>INCIDENT TYPE:</b>		<b>DATE/TIME REPORTED:</b>	
5 car Crash/Leaving Scene of Accident/Gross Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle/Resisting Arrest		5/18/16 1631 hours	
<b>INCIDENT NUMBER:</b>		<b>LOCATION:</b>	
16BU13777		Colchester Ave/Thibault Pkwy	
<b>INVESTIGATOR:</b>		<b>INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:</b>	
Officer J. Wu		802-540-2322	
<b>AUTHOR:</b>		<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	
Sgt. Wade Labrecque		Sgt. Wade Labrecque <i>[Signature]</i> <i>B226</i>	
<b>SUSPECT:</b>		<b>AGE:</b>	<b>SUSPECT ADDRESS:</b>
Jessie L Germain		34	Richmond VT
<b>SUSPECT DISPOSITION:</b>			
Lodged on \$5000 bail at Chittenden County Correctional Facility			

**NARRATIVE:**

On May 18, 2016 at approximately 1631 hours Burlington Police Responded to a 5 car motor vehicle crash on Colchester Avenue near Thibault Pkwy. Upon arrival Officers learned that a motor vehicle, operated by Jessie L. Germain of Richmond, was driving west on Colchester Avenue where she rear ended a pickup truck causing the pick up to strike a parked vehicle. Germain then attempted to flee the scene, backing up and pulling around the pickup truck and driving west into oncoming traffic in the eastbound lane. Germain's vehicle clipped the rear bumper of an eastbound vehicle and then sideswiped a westbound vehicle before her vehicle stopped due to disabling damage. A passenger in Germain's vehicle and another operator were transported to UVM Medical Center with minor injuries. Further investigation showed that Germain privilege to operate a motor vehicle in the State of Vermont is currently under civil suspension. Due to the severity of the crash rush hour traffic had to diverted from Colchester Avenue between East Avenue and Riverside Avenue/Winooski Bridge for over an hour while the crash scene was investigated and 4 of the 5 vehicles had to be towed due to damage.

Germain was arrested on scene for attempting to leave the scene of an accident, Grossly Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle and Resisting Arrest. Germain was lodged at

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Chittenden County Correctional Facility on \$5000 bail and issued multiple traffic tickets. At this time it does not appear that speed, alcohol or drugs were a factor. Please note there is no photo available of Germain.

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