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WOMAN CHARGED IN FATAL BUS CRASH

A bus driver accused of causing a fatal bus crash that took place on April 3, 2010, at the intersection of Eighth Avenue and Lincoln Street in downtown Denver has been formally charged.

Legal counsel for **Tidneykiyalesh Hawariyat** (dob: 03-29-80) was served a Criminal Summons and Complaint last night charging her with two counts of *careless driving resulting in death* (M) and eleven counts of *careless driving resulting in injury* (M).

The charges allege that on April 3, 2010, **Hawariyat**, a driver for Veolia Transportation, a private transit provider for RTD, failed to stop at a red light at Eighth Avenue and Lincoln Street, colliding with two vehicles. Two people were killed, ten passengers on the bus were injured, and one passenger in a second vehicle was injured.

Hawariyat is scheduled for an arraignment hearing in Denver County Court, room 122C, at 8 a.m. on May 7, 2010.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. See Colo. RPC 3.6

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