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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **WOMAN SENTENCED IN FATAL BUS CRASH**

A bus driver charged in connection with a fatal crash that took place last spring at the intersection of Eighth Avenue and Lincoln Street in downtown Denver has been sentenced to probation today.

**Tidneykiyalesh Hawariyat** (dob: 03-29-80) pleaded guilty earlier to two counts of *careless driving resulting in death* (M) and one count of *careless driving resulting in injury* (M) naming each of the eleven victims.

Under the terms of the guilty plea agreement, she was given a one-year suspended jail sentence on the condition she successfully complete three years of probation, perform 250 hours of useful public service, pay a \$450 fine and additional fees and court costs, and relinquish her driver's license for three years.

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.