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Subject: PURSUIT WITH FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION

On Sunday March 1, 2009, at approximately 1:45 PM, an Anaheim Police patrol officer observed a motorcyclist driving erratically on Ball Road in west Anaheim. The officer attempted to catch up to the motorcycle, which was traveling in-and-out of traffic lanes and running 2 red lights at a high rate of speed. The officer attempted to initiate a vehicle stop on the motorcycle in the area of Ball Road and Dale Avenue, but the driver accelerated and sped away from the pursuing patrol car.

The motorcyclist rode eastbound on Orange Avenue through the intersection of Magnolia Street at a very high rate of speed. Approximately 3 minutes after the initial pursuit began, the motorcyclist lost control and was thrown from his motorcycle. He struck a vehicle that had stopped in the eastbound lane of Orange Avenue at Webster Street. The motorcycle continued unmanned eastbound on Orange Avenue for approximately 300 feet before coming to rest. As the motorcycle traveled to its point of rest, it struck three parked cars.

The motorcyclist was treated by paramedics and transported to a local hospital. He was pronounced deceased at 2: 13 PM. Police are continuing this investigation.