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**Man Pleads No Contest in
Case of Electrocution of Good Samaritans**

A 21-year-old Glendale man whose vehicle toppled a light pole and a fire hydrant pleaded no contest today in connection with the electrocution deaths of two women who tried to help in the collision's aftermath, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Ron Carey said Arman Samsonian entered his plea to one count of vehicular manslaughter.

Sentencing has been scheduled for June 6 in Department S of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Van Nuys Branch. Samsonian faces a sentence of three years formal probation and 70 days of community labor. He also will be ordered to pay fines and restitution to the victims.

On Aug. 22, 2012, Samsonian was driving at a high rate of speed when he lost control of his vehicle on Magnolia Boulevard in Valley Village. The vehicle struck a light pole and a fire hydrant, Carey said.

The resulting pool of water came into contact with exposed electrical wires, energizing it. Irma Yolanda Zamora, 40, and Stacey Lee Schreiber, 39, were electrocuted in the collision's aftermath as they tried to assist, the prosecutor added.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Valley Traffic Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.