Update #2 – Name Released Troopers Investigating a Fatal Crash – Dover

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Dover- The Delaware State Police are releasing the name of the operator of the Chevrolet Aveo as Daniel J. Gates, 77 of Millsboro.

The 22-year-old trooper has been released from the hospital.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing their investigation into this incident.

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****Update #1** Troopers Investigating a Fatal Crash – Dover**

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Dover- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate the fatal crash that occurred earlier this evening on SR1 at Exit 98.

Preliminary investigation indicates the incident occurred around 5:56 p.m. Thursday September 15, 2016 as a 77-year-old Millsboro man was operating a 2010 Chevrolet Aveo northbound in the southbound lanes of SR1. A 22-year-old trooper assigned to Troop 3 in Camden, was operating a fully marked 2012 Chevrolet Caprice southbound in the left lane of SR1 near Exit 98 when the two vehicles collided head-on.

The 77-year-old male, who was not properly restrained, was

pronounced dead at the scene. A family dog was also deceased in the vehicle.

The 22-year-old male trooper was properly restrained and was airlifted by Delaware State Police Aviation to Christiana Medical Center where he is currently admitted with non-life-threatening injuries.

The State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing their investigation into this incident. Alcohol does not appear to be a contributing factor. SR1 southbound, which is now re-opened, was closed at Exit 104 for four hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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Original Release

****Traffic Advisory** Troopers On Scene of a Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash – Dover**

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Dover- The Delaware State Police are currently on the scene of a fatal motor vehicle crash on SR1 southbound at Exit 98 (North Little Creek Road Exit) that occurred around 5:56 p.m. this evening.

Preliminary investigation indicates the incident involves a state police vehicle and a passenger car and the person in the passenger car has been pronounced dead at the scene. The trooper has been airlifted from the scene to an area hospital with apparent non-life-threatening injuries.

The State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently enroute to the scene and will assume the investigation.

SR1 southbound at Exit 104 (Scarborough Road) is closed. Commuters are advised to seek alternate routes of travel.

Further details will be released upon the conclusion of the investigation.

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