UPDATE #1 STATE TROOPERS INVESTIGATING FATAL CRASH-ELSMERE

ELSMERE, DE- Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal collision that occurred Friday morning in the Elsmere area.

On October 29, 2021, at approximately 10:19 a.m., a black 2020 Ford Edge operated by a 74-year-old Wilmington woman was traveling northbound in the left lane on Centerville Road, just north of Liberty Road. A white 2011 Toyota Rav4 operated by a 60-year-old Wilmington man was traveling southbound on Centerville Road towards Liberty Road. In the area where the cars were traveling, a CSX railroad crossing had the lights activated to warn of a train approaching. The operator of the Rav4 was attempting to cross the railroad tracks before the train crossed over the tracks. At the same time, the operator of the Ford Edge had begun to make a U-Turn before the railroad crossing. As a result, the front of the Rav4 collided with the right side of the Ford Edge in the left lane of southbound Centerville Road.

The 74-year-old Ford Edge driver was transported to an area hospital where she was pronounced deceased. Also in the Ford was a 75-year-old Wilmington man seated in the front passenger seat. The passenger was transported to an area hospital where he was pronounced deceased. Identification is pending notification to the next of kin for both victims.

The 60-year-old Toyota Rav4 driver was transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Investigators ask anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has a dashcam/video of the incident to please contact

Master Corporal John Forester by calling 302-365-8485. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at Debra.Reed@delaware.gov.

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