Delaware State Police Investigating Double Fatal Collision

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that claimed the lives of two individuals last night in the Newark area.

The collision occurred on August 11, 2022, at approximately 10:22 p.m., a silver 2020 BMW M2 was traveling southbound on Interstate-95 approaching the area of Churchmans Road. For an unknown reason, the BMW became disabled in the middle lane. At this time, a white 2017 Freightliner box truck was traveling southbound on I-95 and had entered into the middle lane of travel. The front center of the box truck struck the rear center of the BMW for point of impact. As a result of the collision the box truck became connected to the BMW and pushed it in southern direction, towards the right shoulder where the vehicles came to rest. The front of the box truck then caught fire.

The 50-year-old operator of the box truck was able to escape from the vehicle prior to the front of the vehicle catching fire. The operator was not injured in the crash.

The operator of the BMW a 37-year-old man of Havre De Grace, MD and the front seat passenger a 27-year-old man of Halethorpe, MD were pinned inside the vehicle. The two occupants were pronounced deceased at the scene of the collision. The fire did not spread to the passenger compartment of the BMW.

The area of the collision is dark and there are no lights on the highway.

Interstate-95 southbound was closed at RT 141 for

approximately 6 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit are continuing to investigate this fatal collision. Anyone who witnessed this collision is asked to contact Cpl/2 Calio at 302.365.8483. Information may also be provided by contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delawarecrimestoppers.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 need 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 Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**

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