Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Involving Dump Truck

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred in Newark this morning.

On May 22, 2023, at approximately 9:33 a.m., a Peterbilt dump truck loaded with gravel stone was traveling eastbound in the right lane on Pulaski Highway near Corporal Stephen J Ballard Way. A Hyundai Sonata was traveling eastbound on Pulaski Highway directly behind the dump truck. As the dump truck began to slow down for a traffic light, the Sonata did not slow down, causing its front bumper to collide with the rear center of the dump truck.

The driver of the dump truck, a 59-year-old man from Colora, Maryland, was properly seat belted and uninjured during the collision. The driver of the Sonata, a 31-year-old woman from North East, Maryland, was also properly seat belted. She was transported to an area hospital, where she died from injuries sustained during the collision. The identification of the victim is pending notification to her family.

Pulaski Highway between Summit Bridge Road and Corporal Stephen J Ballard Way was decreased to one lane of travel for approximately 2 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to contact Corporal Grade One P. McAndrew by calling 302-660-3846. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-847-3333.

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 at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**.

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