



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: November 14, 2013
Case No. 13-19169

On November 14, 2013, at 4:26 p.m., the Portage Department of Public Safety Fire and Police divisions responded to the 5300 block of Sprinkle Road for a two-car head-on collision that resulted in a fatality. Responding units determined a 37-year-old Kalamazoo man was driving a 2005 GMC C6500 commercial box truck south on Sprinkle Road moments before the accident. A 2003 Ford Escape driven by a 28-year-old female from Kalamazoo was traveling north on Sprinkle Road when, for unknown reasons, drifted across the center turn lane, causing both vehicles to hit head on. The female driver succumbed to her injuries.

The Michigan State Police assisted with the accident scene investigation, and the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety assisted with the rerouting of traffic. Sprinkle Road was shut down for several hours as a result of the accident. The accident remains under investigation.

****UPDATE****

The female driver that succumbed to her injuries in the fatal traffic accident on November 14 was identified as 28-year-old Jennifer Rose Hodgman of Kalamazoo.

Anyone that may have seen or has information regarding the crash is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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