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Date: November 7, 2014

Case No. 14-19005

On November 7, 2014 at 5:56 p.m., Portage Police and Fire units were dispatched to the intersection of Portage Road and Lakeview Drive for a two-car fatal traffic accident.

The preliminary investigation indicates that a 2006 Chevrolet Cobalt, driven by a 24-year-old Portage resident, had turned off of Lakeview Drive and into the path of a second vehicle. The second vehicle, a 1998 Ford Escort, driven by a 37-year-old Vicksburg resident, was traveling south on Portage Road. The 10-year-old front seat passenger of the Ford Escort was transported to Bronson Hospital in critical condition and later succumbed to her injuries. Seatbelts were worn by all parties involved, and neither alcohol nor speed appear to be a contributing factor. The accident remains under investigation.

Anyone with information 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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