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PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 19, 2014

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> July 19, 2014 Approximately 4:50 PM
<u>Incident Location:</u>	1296 State Route 31 East Huntingdon Township
Decedent: Brendan J. Walter, 18 y/o male Address: State Route 31 East Huntingdon Township Date and Time of Death: July 19, 2014 at 6:19 PM.	
Incident Details:	Cause of Death: Multiple Blunt Force Injuries Due to: Two Vehicle Collision Manner of Death: Accidental <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information.▪ The decedent was the operator and lone occupant of a passenger vehicle traveling west on State Route 31 at the above incident location.▪ The decedent failed to negotiate a slight curve in the roadway, crossed the centerline into the opposite lane of traffic, and collided with a dump truck.▪ Deputy Coroner Joshua C. Zappone investigated the incident and pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.▪ Speed is believed to have played a factor in the incident.▪ A seat-belt was not utilized by the decedent.▪ Airbags were deployed in the decedent's vehicle.▪ Cell phone use is unknown.▪ An autopsy will not be performed.▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.▪ Kapr Funeral Home of Scottdale will be handling funeral arrangements.▪ Pennsylvania State Police Greensburg Barracks will release additional details at their discretion;
***** <u>No further information is available from this office at this time.</u> *****	