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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 17, 2017**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Collision	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> June 17, 2017 1:37 AM
<u>Incident Location:</u>	Arona Road near Greek Road Hempfield Township
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> Decedent: Michael J. Luther, 57 y/o male Address: Franklin Street South Greensburg Borough	
Date and Time of Death: June 17, 2017 at 2:35 AM	
<u>Incident Details:</u> Cause of Death: Pending Manner of Death: Pending <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on a motor vehicle collision.▪ Michael J. Luther was the operator with a front seat passenger of a Suzuki XL-7 traveling east on Arona Road.▪ For an unknown reason, the decedent crossed the center line into the opposite lane of traffic.▪ The decedent collided with a Subaru Forester in a head-on type collision.▪ Deputy Coroner Sean R. Hribal investigated the incident and pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.▪ The decedent was not utilizing a seat-belt at the time of the incident.▪ Air bags deployed in the decedent's vehicle.▪ Cell phone use being a factor in the incident is unknown at this time.▪ An autopsy was performed by Dr. Cyril H. Wecht and Pathology Associates on this date.▪ Cause and manner of death will be pending further investigation and toxicology results.▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.▪ Vaia Funeral Home of Delmont will be in charge of arrangements.▪ Pennsylvania State Police Greensburg Barracks also investigated.	
***** No further information is available from this office at this time. *****	