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News Release

Incident: Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash

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On July 13, 2010, the Egg Harbor Township Police Department responded to a motor vehicle collision which occurred at approximately 8:14 PM at the intersection of Fire Rd and Tilton Road in the Farmington section of the Township.

A 2008 Toyota Rav 4 operated by Gurjari Shah 41 years of age from Wappingers Falls, New York was proceeding north on Fire Road when the operator encountered a 2002 Jeep Grand Cherokee enter the intersection from the westbound lane of Tilton Road and collided with her vehicle.

The 2002 Jeep Grand Cherokee operated by Renee Lawn, 17 years of age from Absecon, NJ was traveling west on Tilton Road when the driver entered the intersection at Fire Rd and struck the Toyota broadside.

A collision occurred in the intersection when the Jeep emerged from Tilton Road and struck the Toyota on the passenger side front door. As a result of the lateral impact the Toyota entered a clockwise rotation as it continued on its path northward on Fire Road. The Toyota rolled several times and came to an uncontrolled stop resting on its roof. Following the impact the Jeep entered a clockwise rotation and came to an uncontrolled stop facing east along the curb line adjacent to Jiffy Lube.

Miss. Lawn, was wearing her seatbelt. She had suffered minor injury and was transported to Shore Memorial Hospital by Egg Harbor Twp. EMS personnel. Miss Lawn was treated and released.

Mrs. Gurjari Shah 41 years of age and her husband Mihir Shah 45 years of age were wearing their seatbelts. Both the operator and front passenger suffered minor injury and were transported to AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center City Campus by Absecon EMS personnel. The Shah's were treated and released.

Rear passengers Harshendu Parimar, 41 years of age and his wife Parulben Parimar, 32 years of age from Absecon, NJ, were not wearing seatbelts. Mr H. Parimar suffered minor injury. His wife P Parimar suffered moderate injury. They were both transported

to AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center City Campus by Galloway Twp. EMS personnel. Mr. H. Parimar was treated and released. Mrs. P Parimar was admitted.

The Shah's 16 year old son who was also sitting in the back seat was not wearing a seatbelt and suffered a critical head injury. The juvenile was transported to AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center City Campus Trauma Unit by Egg Harbor Twp EMS and AtlantiCare ALS personnel. The 16 year old male was pronounced dead on arrival to the Atlantic Regional Medical Center City Campus Trauma Unit.

Toyota Rav 4 was equipped with front, side and side impact curtains all of which deployed.

Assisting with the crash scene were members of the Farmington Volunteer Fire Company and Fire Police.

Traffic was detoured for approximately three (3) hours while the crash was being investigated and cleared. Issuance of motor vehicle summons is pending completion of crash which is being investigated by SMPO Albert Maiorano, MPO II Kevin Devlin and Sgt. Marc Romantino of the EHT PD Traffic Safety Unit.

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