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Updated Press Release

Construction Accident: Jaycox/Middleton
August 16, 2016

This update is to release the names of the subject involved in this incident as well as to release a statement on behalf of the family.

Victim: Joseph R. Kelly, age 36, of Avon, Ohio

Driver: Lawrence L. Lanenga, age 56, of North Ridgeville, Ohio

Both of these men were working for KMU Trucking Inc. of Avon, Ohio.

This investigation remains ongoing and there is no additional information to release at this time. At the request of the family of Mr. Kelly we are releasing the statement below:

"We are in an unimaginable amount of grief and shock as we mourn the loss of an amazing father of three, husband, son, brother, nephew, uncle, and friend to many. We ask for your prayers and strength to cope with this tragedy. We appreciate all the support and ask for privacy as we mourn our loss. Please pray for us. Thank You."

Original Press Release

August 15, 2016

At 2:09PM the Avon Police Department received a report of a pedestrian being struck by a vehicle in the construction zone on Jaycox Road just north of Middleton. Due to this accident Jaycox Road is currently closed to traffic between Chester Road and SR254 (Detroit Road).

It was learned that the pedestrian was a construction worker and he died as a result of his injuries. While the investigation is ongoing it is believed that the victim was directing a dump truck, which was backing up through the construction zone and somehow was struck by the dump truck.

This crash is related to the construction zone on Jaycox Road. Names are not being released at this time as this is part of an ongoing investigation. Both the Ohio State Highway Patrol Commercial Vehicle Unit and the Coroner were both notified and responded to the scene. There will be no further information released at this time.