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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Va. (January 17, 2010) Suffolk Police have identified the victim of yesterday's fatality as David Chavis, age 49, of the 2200 blk. of Lake Cahoon Rd. The driver of the Neon was a sixteen year old male.

Accident investigators are asking anyone traveling west bound on Rt 58 yesterday that may have observed the accident or events leading up to the accident to contact Senior Police Officer Jonah Cravey at 923-2350 (0).

SUFFOLK, Va. (January 16, 2010) Suffolk Police advise a vehicle traveling west bound on Rt. 58 in the area of Wilroy Rd./Portsmouth Blvd. crossed the median and a guardrail before going airborne in this afternoon's fatal vehicle accident. The accident occurred at approx. 3:30 p.m., when a Neon traveling west bound ran off the road and into the median. The vehicle then struck a guardrail and went airborne before striking an east bound Ford pickup truck.

The driver of the truck died at the scene. Police are working to positively identify the victim and notify his next of kin. The operator of the Neon was treated at a hospital for minor injuries and released.

The cause of the accident remains under investigation. Senior Police Officer J. Cravey is the lead investigator. East bound Rt. 58 reopened at approx. 8 p.m.