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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Mercer County Sheriff Jeff Grey reported that his Office is investigating the tenth traffic fatality of 2008. The Mercer County Sheriff's Office received a call of a traffic crash on State Route 219 near the intersection of Township Line Road at approximately 4:41 p.m. Preliminary investigation shows that a 1992 Chevrolet S-10 pick-up truck, traveling eastbound, driven by Douglas M. Heitkamp, 24, 6215 Depweg Road, traveled across the center line and struck a westbound 1995 Ford Escort, driven by Todd L. Adams, 31, 2102 Saint Anthony Road. A third vehicle was also westbound, a 1998 Chevrolet Hatchback, driven by Gary M. Timmerman, 32, 9636 Banks Road, Yorkshire, was also struck during the crash.

Mr. Heitkamp and Mr. Adams were both taken by Coldwater EMS to Mercer Health, then transported by helicopter to a Dayton Hospital. Mr. Adams was pronounced dead at the Dayton hospital at 6:30 p.m.

The crash is still under investigation by the Mercer County Sheriff's Office.

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