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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Two Vehicle Traffic Collision Results in One Fatality**

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On August 7, 2010 at approximately 11:50 p.m. Bluffton Police responded to a traffic collision on HWY 170/HWY 46 near Heritage subdivision. The collision resulted in the death of one individual and three others begin transported to Savannah Memorial Hospital.

The investigation into this incident found that a white four door Toyota Corolla heading east on HWY 170/HWY 46 into Bluffton swerved across the center line and struck a blue four door BMW traveling west head on. The driver of the Toyota was declared dead at the scene and the passenger was air lifted to Savannah Memorial Hospital in critical condition. The driver and passenger of the BMW were transported by ambulance to Savannah Memorial Hospital.

The deceased name is being withheld until the next of kin is notified. The passenger in the Toyota is Robert Katzmarck (02-18-1972) from Florida. The driver of the BMW is Juan Vicens (05-11-1948) and the passenger (wife of driver) is Ivette Rico (10-22-1957). Both are from Savannah, Georgia.

Traffic in this area was diverted for approximately three hours while emergency workers treated the injured and officers investigated the traffic collision. The cause of this incident is still under investigation at this time.