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MOTORCYCLE CRASH CLAIMS DRIVER AND PASSENGER'S LIVES

WHO: Daniel B. Rivers (driver)
DOB: 10-3-75
1401 Rose Street
Clearwater, Fla.
Vehicle: 2004 Suzuki Motorcycle

Starr Knotek (passenger)
DOB: 12-26-76
1530 Erin Lane
Clearwater, Fla.

WHAT: Double Traffic Fatality

WHEN: November 5, 2009
8:37 p.m.

WHERE: 1800 block of Montclair Road
Clearwater, Fla.

WHY: The motorcycle was headed westbound on Montclair Road at a high rate of speed, when the driver failed to negotiate a curve and lost control in the 1800 block of Montclair Road. The motorcycle left the roadway and both the driver and passenger were ejected. The passenger died at the scene and the driver was transported to the Mease Dunedin Hospital where he was pronounced. In addition to excessive speed, alcohol is being investigated as a contributing factor in the crash. The investigation continues...

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