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## Press Release

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### SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATES AMTRAK FATALITY

**Clermont, NY-** Columbia County Sheriff David P. Bartlett reports that Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched by Columbia County 911 today at approximately 11:14am for a train/pedestrian fatality in the area between Germantown and the Dutchess County Line. Upon Deputies arrival to the area, they were able to locate the accident scene in the Town of Clermont.

The investigation revealed that an employee of Amtrak was struck and killed by an Amtrak train while working on a section of track. Rail service between Albany and New York City was suspended while Sheriff's Investigators and technicians worked on the scene for approximately 3 hours.

The investigation is in the preliminary stages. The victim's identity is being withheld at this time pending notification to family members.

Assisting with the investigation was Columbia County Coroner James Bertram and the Amtrak Police.

Investigating on the scene for the Sheriff's Office were Undersheriff John Davi, Captain John DeRocha, Senior Investigators William Foster and Kevin Skype, Investigators Mark and William Dunsbaugh, and Deputy Scott Leggett.