

Statement on Wendover, Utah Accident

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Several recent news reports have speculated on the causes of a fatal crash in Wendover, Utah that remains under investigation by local authorities. Toyota sympathizes with the friends and family of Paul VanAlfen and Charlene Lloyd, who were killed in the crash, and is working closely to support the Utah Highway Patrol with its accident investigation.

As with any such a case, it is important to allow the investigation to proceed before drawing any conclusions. Over the past year, on multiple occasions the initial reports on incidents involving Toyota vehicles have involved speculation and premature conclusions that proved to be inaccurate following a review of the facts.

It is in the best interests of all those involved in this case to ensure a thorough and complete review of the incident. Toyota remains committed to investigating reported incidents of unintended acceleration in our vehicles quickly, and will continue to work in close partnership with law enforcement agencies and federal regulators with jurisdiction over accident scenes whenever requested.