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MAYS LANDING – Authorities are seeking help from the public in locating the next of kin of a man whose body was discovered on Dec. 5 when firefighters extinguished a blaze under the Central Pier on the Atlantic City Boardwalk, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel stated this afternoon.

The body of Manuel Hernandez, 48, who was a Mexican national, was identified but his name was not released pending notification of next of kin. Since then, Atlantic County authorities have been working with the Mexican Government to try and locate family members. Mexican officials have been unable to find and notify them.

“If anyone knows him or knows his next of kin, please contact us,” Prosecutor Housel stated.

Anyone with information involving serious crimes is asked to call the Atlantic County Prosecutor’s Office at 609-909-7800 or go to the Prosecutor’s Office Web site at <http://www.acpo.org/tips.html> and provide information by filling out the form anonymously on the Submit a Tip page. People can also call Crime Stoppers at 609-652-1234 or 1-800-658-8477 (TIPS) or visit the Crime Stoppers Website at <http://www.crimestoppersatlantic.com/>. Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of those who commit crimes in Atlantic County.