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McLean County Injury Crash

What: Injury Crash

Where: Highway 37-mile marker 53, 3 miles west of Garrison

When: August 29, 2020 7:10 PM

Road Conditions: Normal

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Front Angle

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McLean County Sheriff's Office, Garrison Ambulance, Garrison Rural Fire Department, NorthStar Life Flight

Vehicle No. 1: 2006 Ford F150

Driver No. 1: Duane Robert Bear, male, 31, Garrison, ND, serious injuries

Passenger No 1: Richard Lee Ross, male, 31, Garrison, ND, serious injuries

Restraints: Seat belts not worn; airbags deployed

Charges: Driving under the influence of alcohol, Driving under suspension

Vehicle No. 2: 1996 Kenworth truck-tractor

Driver No. 2: Travis James Kolden, male, 47, Ryder, ND, injured

Restraints: Seat belt not worn

Charges: none

NARRATIVE: The Ford F-150 was traveling westbound on Highway 37 near mile post 53. The Kenworth was driving east at this same location. The Ford crossed the centerline and entered the eastbound lane. The Kenworth applied brakes and attempted to steer away from the Ford. The Ford's front passenger wheel area struck the front passenger wheel area of the

Kenworth. The Ford entered the south ditch where it rolled and came to rest on its driver side. Both Bear and Ross were ejected from the Ford and came to rest in the ditch. The Kenworth came to rest on the roadway blocking the westbound lane. Bear and Ross were taken by Ambulance to the Garrison Medical Center. Bear was life flighted by NorthStar Life Flight from Garrison to Trinity Hospital in Minot. Kolden sustained serious but non-life-threatening injuries during the crash. He was transported by a good Samaritan to the Garrison Medical Center in Garrison.

Bear was arrested at Minot Trinity for Driving Under the influence of Alcohol. This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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