

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 28, 2021

McHenry County Fatal Crash - Updated

What: Fatal Crash

Where: ND Highway 14 MM 100, 13 miles south of Towner

When: January 27, 2021 6:11 PM

Road Conditions: Seasonal Normal

Weather Conditions: Overcast

Crash Involvement: One Vehicle

Type of Crash: Ran off roadway, Rollover

Agencies Involved: NDHP, McHenry County Sheriff's Office, Towner Fire, Ambulance, and

Rescue, and the Rugby City Ambulance Service.

Vehicle No. 1: 1994 GMC Suburban

Driver No. 1: David Wilfred Piatz, male, 67, Karlsruhe, ND, Fatal

Restraints: Seat belt not worn; no airbags deployed

Charges: None

NARRATIVE: The GMC was traveling southbound on Highway 14 when, for unknown reasons, Piatz left the roadway and entered the west ditch. The GMC vaulted over a field approach, overturned, and came to rest on its passenger side. Piatz was partially ejected during the crash and was pinned underneath the vehicle. Piatz was pronounced deceased at the scene.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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