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2 Vehicle Injury Crash

What: Injury

Where: US Highway 2 & 17th St NE, approximately 4 miles west of Grand Forks

When: 16:12 PM CST 11/28/2021

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Clear, Dusk

Crash Involvement: Pickup v. SUV

Type of Crash: Right Angle "T-Bone" crash

Agencies Involved: Altru Ambulance, Emerado Fire and Rescue, Grand Forks Sheriff's Office, NDHP

Vehicle No. 1: 2012 Kia Sorento

Driver No. 1: Dennis Neiss, male, 76 yo, Grand Forks, severe injuries

Restraints: none

Charges: Failure to yield at a stop sign

Passenger No. 1: Mary Neiss, female, 69 yo, Grand Forks, severe injuries

Restraints: none

Vehicle No. 2: 1997 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup

Driver No. 2: Monty Cofell, male, 55 yo, Gilby, no injuries

Restraints: none

Charges: none

NARRATIVE: Neiss was coming southbound on 17th St NE. Neiss came to a stop at the stop sign, then drove through the intersection as Cofell was traveling westbound on US Highway 2. Cofell struck the side of the Sorento in the driver's side front in a right angle fashion. Both Dennis and Mary Neiss were taken to Altru due to severe injuries from the

crash. Cofell suffered minor injuries from the crash. The crash is still under investigation by the NDHP.

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