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Ward County Injury Crash

What: Two Vehicle Injury Crash

Where: Highway 52 Mile Marker 40, 2 miles north of Kenmare

When: 8/16/2023 approximately 11:03 AM CDT

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Two Vehicle

Type of Crash: Rear End Collision

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Kenmare Police Department, Ward County Sheriff's Office, Kenmare Fire Department, Kenmare Ambulance, Bowbells Fire Department, Bowbells Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2000 Kenworth Construct W900 (semi towing belly dump trailer)

Driver No. 1: Male, 42 years old, Fargo, ND, Serious Life Threatening Injury

Restraints: Lap and Shoulder Belt

Charges: Under Investigation

Vehicle No. 2: 1996 Freightliner Conventional (semi towing grain trailer)

Driver No. 2: Male, 67 years old, Bowbells, ND, Uninjured

Restraints: Lap and Shoulder Belt

Charges: Under Investigation

NARRATIVE: A 2000 Kenworth semi was northbound on Highway 52 near mile marker 40 when it approached a construction zone. A flagger for the construction zone had northbound traffic stopped at the time. The Kenworth failed to stop for traffic and struck the rear end of a 1996 Freightliner semi that was waiting for the flagger to allow traffic to proceed. The driver of the Kenworth sustained serious life threatening injuries and was transported via ambulance to Trinity Health Kenmare Hospital before being later transported to Trinity Health Minot. The driver of the Freightliner was uninjured.



The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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