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UPDATE: Grand Forks County Fatality Crash – 11th Street NE (County Road 81)

What: Fatality

Where: 400 Block of 11th Street NE, approximately 5 miles southeast of Thompson

When: February 20, 2023 at 11:23 AM CST

Road Conditions: Snow-covered

Weather Conditions: Blowing snow

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Grand Forks Sheriff's Office, Thompson Fire & Rescue, and Altru Ambulance Service

Vehicle No. 1: 2011 Chevrolet Cruze

Driver: **Julio Lazaro Huertas**; Male; 21 years old; Waite Park, MN; non-life-threatening injuries

Restraints: Airbags deployed and seatbelt in use

Charges: Driving under revocation, other charges pending

Passenger: **Stephanie Jeane Cluever**; Female; 26 years old; Little Falls, MN; fatal injures

Restraints: Airbags deployed and seatbelt in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2012 Kenworth

Driver: Ross Radermacher; 28 years old; Amenia, ND; uninjured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Passenger: Curtis Mann; 39 years old; Durbin, ND; uninjured

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

NARRATIVE: The 2011 Chevrolet Cruze was northbound on 11th Street NE (County Road 81). The 2012 Kenworth was southbound on 11th Street NE. The Chevrolet crossed the centerline and struck the Kenworth at an angle. Both vehicles came to rest in the ditch.

The passenger of the Chevrolet, **Stephanie Jeane Cluever**, was pronounced deceased on scene. The driver of the Chevrolet, **Julio Lazaro Huertas**, was transported to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks with non-life-threatening injuries. The driver and passenger of the Kenworth were uninjured.

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

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