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UPDATED McKenzie County Fatality Crash

What: Fatality

Where: Highway 85 near mile marker 178, approximately 5 miles south of Williston, ND

When: March 10, 2023, at approximately 0638 PM CST

Road Conditions: Icy, blowing snow – no travel advisory.

Weather Conditions: Snow, high winds

Crash Involvement: Pickup vs Semi

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, McKenzie County Sheriff's Office, Williston Rural Fire Department, Williston Fire EMS

Vehicle No. 1: 2018 Ford F-350

Driver No. 1: **Bona Son**, 29 year old Male, Watford City, ND - Fatal

Restraints: Not in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2014 Western Star Truck

Driver No. 2: **Kenneth Schafer**, 67 year old male, Bridger, MT – serious non-life threatening.

Restraints: Unknown

NARRATIVE:

The Western Star Truck hauling a pneumatic sand trailer was traveling north on Hwy 85 near mile marker 178. The Ford was traveling south on Hwy 85. The Ford lost control, crossed into the northbound lanes. The Ford and Western Star Truck collided. The driver of the Ford was ejected from the vehicle and pronounced deceased on scene. The driver of the Western Star Truck was transported to CHI St Alexius in Williston. The driver suffered serious non-life threatening injuries.

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

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