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Injury Crash near Grand Forks Airport UPDATE 2

What: Fatal Crash

Where: US Highway 2 & Airport Rd approximately 3 miles west of Grand Forks

When: 06/03/2024 @ 18:41 PM

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Sunny

Crash Involvement: Vehicle v. Vehicle

Type of Crash: Rear End

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

Vehicle No. 1: 2023 Ram 3500

Driver No. 1: Travis Bell; 43 yo male; no injuries; Fordville, ND

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: Criminal Vehicular Injury, pending upgraded charges

Vehicle No. 2: 2016 Ford Focus

Driver No. 2: Nicole Louthain; 26 yo; Female; serious injuries; Grand Forks AFB, ND

Restraints: Seatbelt

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Juvenile; 6 years old; fatal injuries; Grand Forks AFB, ND

Restraints: Carseat

NARRATIVE: The Focus was sitting at a red light at the intersection facing westbound. The pickup struck the Focus from behind traveling westbound. The driver of the Focus was taken by ambulance to Altru Hospital and the juvenile was air lifted to Fargo to be treated for their injuries and died of injuries June 5. The driver of the pickup was arrested for criminal vehicular injury, with upgraded charges pending.

The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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