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ND Highway 19 Fatal Crash - Benson County, ND

What: Fatal Crash

Where: ND Highway 19 @ Mile Marker 105.75 - 2 ½ miles west of Esmond, ND

When: September 7, 2019 @ 3:58 PM

Road Conditions: Wet

Weather Conditions: Cloudy, Daylight, Light Rain

Crash Involvement: 2-Vehicle

Type of Crash: Angle

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Benson County Sheriff Department, Pierce County Sheriff Department, Esmond Fire Department, Harvey Fire Department, Harvey Ambulance Service

Vehicle No. 1: 2000 Peterbilt Semi
Driver No. 1: Gregory Kalenze; 33; Mandan, ND; Uninjured
Restraints: Seatbelt
Charges: No Charges Filed

Vehicle No. 2: 1989 Chevrolet S10
Driver No. 2: Male; Fatal
Restraints: Unknown
Charges: No Charges Filed

NARRATIVE: Kalenze was driving the 2000 Peterbilt westbound on ND Highway 19. The unidentified male was driving the 1989 Chevrolet southbound on 37th Avenue Northeast. The unidentified male failed to yield at the intersection with ND Highway 19, and the 2000 Peterbilt struck the driver side door area of the 1989 Chevrolet. The 2000 Peterbilt and the 1989 Chevrolet came to final rest in the south ditch facing west. The 1989 Chevrolet caught on fire after the collision. The unidentified male died on scene. A stop sign is posted at the

intersection for southbound traffic on 37th Avenue Northeast to stop and yield the right of way to eastbound and westbound traffic in the intersection.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol. The identity of the deceased is currently unknown and is pending positive identification by a medical examiner. The name will be released once positive identification can be made and notification of next of kin.

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