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INJURY CRASH ON I-29 IN PEMBINA COUNTY

What: Injury Crash

Where: Pembina County, I-29 Southbound, 1 mile north of Pembina

When: 02/15/2019 at approximately 8:06 p.m.

Road Conditions: Seasonal/Good

Weather Conditions: Clear

Vehicle No. 1: 1995 Chevrolet Pickup

Driver No. 1: Alan Winkler, 24 yoa, Neche, ND, Injured, No Seatbelt

Passenger No. 1: Jennifer Winkler, 43 yoa, Pembina, ND, Injured, No Seatbelt

Vehicle No. 2: 2017 Kenworth Truck Tractor with Trailer

Driver No. 1: Dale Swanson, 69 yoa, Thompson, ND, Uninjured

The 1995 Chevrolet, driven by Alan Winkler, 24, Neche, was southbound on I-29 when it rear-ended the 2017 Kenworth, driven by Dale Swanson, 69, Thompson, which also was headed south on I-29. The Chevrolet was pinned under the rear of the semi-trailer trapping both occupants. Both vehicles were damaged and remained on the roadway resulting in a closure of southbound I-29. Alan Winkler and Jennifer Winkler sustained serious injuries. Swanson was uninjured. Alan Winkler was charged with driving under the influence. The southbound lanes of I-29 were obstructed for approximately three hours before traffic could continue resume. The crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

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