

## NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE October 17, 2021

## **Fatality Crash**

What: Fatal

Where: 15<sup>th</sup> St SE (Cooperstown, ND)

When: 10/15/2021 at 5:01 P.M.

Road Conditions: Good, Under construction

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: 1 vehicle vs Pedestrian

Type of Crash: Work zone related

**Agencies Involved:** North Dakota Highway Patrol, Griggs County Sheriff's Department, Steele

County Sheriff's Department, Cooperstown Ambulance, and Cooperstown Fire Department.

Vehicle No. 1: 1988 Kenworth truck

**Driver No. 1:** Robert Halvorson, 63-year-old male, Summit, SD

**Restraints:** Seatbelt not in use **Charges:** Under Investigation

Pedestrian: Melissa McMahon Hometown: Odessa, MN

**Gender/Age:** 50-year-old female

**Injury:** Fatal

**NARRATIVE:** Road construction was being conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> St SE in Cooperstown. The driver of a 1988 Kenworth dump truck was backing up to pour asphalt on the roadway. A female construction worker was assisting in backing up the dump truck when she was struck. The female sustained serious injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene. The crash is under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.



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