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## Wind-Related Commercial Vehicle Crash near Petersburg, ND

What: Property-damage crash

Where: eastbound US Highway 2, approximately 1.5 miles east of Petersburg, ND

When: 04/06/2022, approximately 12:35 PM

**Road Conditions: Good** 

Weather Conditions: strong NNW winds, high-wind warning in effect

**Crash Involvement:** Single-vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Nelson County Sheriff's Office, Petersburg Fire & Rescue,

Michigan Ambulance, BNSF, ND DOT, Interstate Towing

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2002 Freightliner truck tractor pulling empty refrigerated trailer

**Driver No. 1:** Dimitar Sotriov; male; age 42; of Mt Prospect, IL; uninjured

Restraints: Seat belt in use Charges: Care Required

**NARRATIVE:** Sotriov was driving the Freightliner east on US Highway 2, nearing the top of an overpass over the BNSF railroad east of Petersburg, ND. Strong NNW winds caused the empty trailer to tip onto its right-hand side, pulling the truck tractor onto its right-hand side. The vehicle slid partially off the roadway and came to rest with the trailer hanging partially over the right-hand guardrail of the overpass.

Eastbound traffic was impacted with reduced lanes and speed. Eastbound traffic was redirected onto ND Highway 32 for approximately one and one-half hours. Traffic has been restored to normal.

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