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Barnes County Fatal Crash I-94 mm 299

What: Semi vs. Pedestrian

Where: Westbound I-94 milepost 299, five miles east of Valley City

When: August 18th, 2023 at 3:03AM

Road Conditions: Dry pavement

Weather Conditions: Clear skies. Dark, not lighted

Crash Involvement: A semi driving westbound struck a pedestrian in the road.

Agencies Involved: Valley City Police Department, Barnes County Sheriff's Office, Barnes County Rescue, Barnes County Ambulance, and the ND Highway Patrol.

Vehicle No. 1: 2019 Freightliner

Driver No. 1: Chad Heller, 46, West Fargo, ND- not injured.

Restraints: Belted

Charges: None

Pedestrian: 35-year-old male from Bismarck, ND- Fatal

NARRATIVE:

At 3:03am the 2019 Freightliner was westbound on I-94 near milepost 299. The Freightliner was in the right lane. At that time, the 35-year-old male was walking westbound in the middle of the right lane when he was struck by the semi. The Freightliner slowed and stopped on the shoulder facing west. The 35-year-old male was pronounced deceased on scene. The crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

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