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## UPDATED PRESS RELEASE –FATAL MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH

On 07-11-17 at 2:17 AM, the Dodge County Sheriff's Office responded to a motor vehicle versus semi-tractor (with box trailer) crash on northbound US 151 near Gunn Road in the Township of Calamus, Dodge County, Wisconsin.

Preliminary investigation shows that Levi J Nielsen (25 years old from Evansdale, Iowa) was operating a 2006 Ford pickup truck (towing an enclosed trailer with race car inside) northbound on US 151 in the right/outside lane approaching the rear of a northbound 2014 Volvo semi-tractor (with box trailer). The pickup truck attempted to swerve to the left/inside traffic lane to avoid collision with the semi, but the right side of the pickup truck struck the left rear and left side of the semi-trailer. A passenger in the pickup truck, Jessica J Miller (43 years old from Evansdale, Iowa) was ejected from the vehicle and pronounced dead at the scene by the Dodge County Medical Examiner. Nielsen sustained minor injuries in the crash and declined medical treatment. The driver of the semi, Jasvir S. Kattara (29 years old from Van Nuys, California) was uninjured in the crash.

Contributing factors are being investigated but fog was not present at the time of the crash.

Assisting at the scene were Beaver Dam Police, Beaver Dam Fire Department and Paramedics, Dodge County Emergency Response Team and the Dodge County Sheriff's Office Chaplain

The crash remains under investigation by the Dodge County Crash Investigation Team and the Dodge County Medical Examiner.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Sheriff Dale J Schmidt.