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Media Advisory

Las Vegas Woman Killed After Colliding With Tractor Trailer on Interstate 15

On Monday, January 14, 2013, at approximately 6:22 am Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to Interstate 15 north Lamb road.

Preliminary investigation reveals that a blue 2002 Buick LeSabre, was traveling north on I-15 in the #1 travel lane, south of mile marker 51 Clark. A white Freightliner tractor, was traveling south on I-15 in the #2 travel lane, south of mile marker 51 Clark. A non-contact commercial tractor-trailer (England trucking company), was traveling north on I-15 in the #2 travel lane, next to the Blue Buick. The non-contact tractor-trailer (England trucking company) made an unsafe lane change to the #1 travel lane. The driver of the Buick steered left and entered the median in an attempt to avoid the non-contact tractor-trailer and lost control. The Buick crossed over the median and entering the southbound travel lanes. The Buick was struck by the white Freightliner tractor-trailer and redirected southwest back into the median. The white Freightliner pulled to the west side of I-15. The England trucking company tractor-trailer continued traveling north on I-15 without stopping.

The female driver of the Buick, 54 year old Farrilyn Gaston Diaz of Las Vegas, NV was pronounced dead on scene at 10:15am by Clark County Coroner Investigator Tiffany Brown.

Note: It was approximately two hours after the crash before a witness returned to the scene and advised of the non-contact tractor-trailer. The England trucking company has since been contacted and has a driver returning to their home office for the investigation. This driver was identified by GPS coordinates. The driver and co-driver will be in contact with NHP.

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