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Media Release

Crash Results in Double Fatality on Interstate 215

On Monday, February 1st, 2016 at approximately 5:41 p.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to an accident on Interstate 215 east of Aliante Parkway.

The preliminary crash investigation revealed that a red 1994 Buick Regal was eastbound on the IR215 in the right travel lane east of Aliante Pkwy at a speed greater than the posted 45mph limit. A silver 1997 Lexus sedan and a silver 2014 Chrysler 200 were westbound on the IR215 in the right travel, east of Aliante Pkwy. The Chrysler was behind the Lexus. The driver of the red Buick failed to maintain the Buick's travel lane. She overcorrected and entered into the westbound travel lanes of IR215 and collided head on with the Lexus. The Lexus then overturned and came to rest on its roof in the dirt right shoulder of the westbound travel lanes. The Chrysler's front then struck the Buick on the driver's side.

The unrestrained female driver of the Buick was transported to UMC Trauma where she later succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased. She was later identified as 48 year old Maria Dennis from Las Vegas.

The 38 year old driver, the sole occupant of the Lexus was pronounced deceased on scene. The male driver and female passenger of the Chrysler were transported to University Medical Center Trauma for non-life threatening injuries.

This marks the Nevada Highway Patrol-Southern Command's 7th fatal crash resulting in 8 fatalities for 2016.

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