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REMARKS:

Yukon Coroner's Service was informed that a motor vehicle incident occurring near km 1007 of the Alaska Highway, west of Junction 37, on Saturday, October 26, 2019, had been reported to the Watson Lake RCMP. At 10:30 p.m. a passing trucker reported seeing vehicle tracks in the snow leading off the road. Upon attendance, RCMP found a small car that had gone down a steep embankment. Initial investigation indicates that the driver failed to negotiate the curve of the highway and went off the road to the right. It was not clear when the collision took place. Both occupants, a man and a woman, had been ejected from the vehicle and were pronounced deceased.

The deceased have been identified as 21 year-old Sarah Catherine MCKINNON from Whitehorse and 27 year-old Myron Meryl ETZEL from Whitehorse.

Yukon Coroner's Service continues its investigation with the assistance of the Watson Lake R.C.M.P.

Yukon Coroner's Service offers our sincere condolences to the families and friends of Ms. MCKINNON and Mr. ETZEL.