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Subject: EPD POP Unit Conducts Drug Investigations & Serves Search Warrant on Grow House –Two Arrested for Felony Drug Related Charges

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On 4/21/10, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit, assisted by Patrol, conducted several probation searches and field interview contacts related to drug activity occurring in Eureka. POP Officers also served a search warrant on a grow house.

At approximately 12:05 PM, POP officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle leaving a gas station in the 3500 block of Broadway. Officers recognized the driver, Gilbert Modesto Barff (age 32 of Eureka), from a previous drug sales investigation at a Eureka motel on January 21, 2010. Barff was arrested in that instance for possession of a controlled substance, probation violation, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Officers subsequently searched Barff's vehicle and located a small quantity of tar heroin, drug paraphernalia, and a hypodermic syringe. Barff was arrested (again) and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia/hypodermic syringes.

At about 2:30 PM, the POP Unit served a search warrant at a residence in the 3400 block of Elizabeth Street. This was in response to numerous neighborhood complaints about marijuana being cultivated at the residence. Officers contacted and detained two adult residents (renters) inside the home. During a subsequent search of the residence, officers located and seized approximately 16 ¼ pounds of drying marijuana. No arrests were made at the time the warrant was served. However, the investigation into what is believed to have been a "for-profit" grow is still continuing.

At around 4:00 PM, POP and Patrol officers conducted a drug sales investigation at an apartment building in the 1400 block of Union Street. Officers contacted several subjects sitting on a stairway at which time they observed empty drug packaging baggies lying on the ground near one of the subjects. Officers subsequently searched the subject, Alfreda Sunni



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Jane Marshall (19 of Klamath). On Marshall's person and in her nearby backpack and purse, officers located a methamphetamine pipe, two small baggies of suspected concentrated cannabis (hash), two small baggies containing crystal methamphetamine, several more drug packaging baggies (empty), I.V. drug use paraphernalia, several illegally possessed oxycontin pills, and a concealed (on her person) fixed blade knife. Marshall was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where she was booked for possession of a controlled substance (oxycontin), possession of methamphetamine, possession of concentrated cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia, and unlawful possession of a deadly weapon (concealed dirk or dagger).

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