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Subject: One Arrested after POP Serves Search Warrant at Eureka Motel

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On 5/13/10, at about 12:09 PM, officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) served a search warrant at a motel room in the 1300 block of 4th Street, Eureka. This was in response to information POP had developed that a guest, David Eugene Couch (53 of Eureka), was selling heroin.

Couch was tipped off by an associate that officers were at the motel before the officers were able to enter the room. During a subsequent search of Couch and his room, officers located drug use paraphernalia, a large quantity of drug packaging materials, and over \$700.00 cash (35 twenties) believed to be drug sales proceeds. Additionally, Couch's cell phone rang numerous times in the officers' presence. Officers answered the phone as Couch several times and spoke with subjects wanting to purchase various quantities of heroin from him.

Couch was arrested and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for maintaining a room/space for purposes of drug use/sales and possession of a hypodermic syringe.

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