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Subject: POP Heroin Sales Investigation/Search Warrant Nets Two Arrests

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On 6/29/10, at about 11:30 AM, Officers with the Eureka Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing Unit (POP) stopped a vehicle being driven by Anthony Joseph ("AJ") Holberg on 'I' Street near Wood Street, Eureka. Holberg, 23 of Fields Landing, was the subject of an on-going heroin sales investigation by the POP Unit, and POP had obtained a signed search warrant for Holberg and his vehicle.

Officers subsequently searched Holberg and his vehicle pursuant to the warrant and found drug paraphernalia, including hypodermic syringes. Additionally, Holberg's passenger, Robert Niles ("Burt") Weirauch, 45 of Eureka, was determined to be on searchable probation for drug related offenses. Weirauch also had a felony warrant for possession of a controlled substance. A search of Weirauch's person uncovered a hypodermic syringe and 3 individually packaged bindles of tar heroin (around a ¼ gram each).

Holberg and Weirauch were arrested at the scene and transported to Holberg's residence in the 6700 block of Harrison Ave., Fields Landing. During a subsequent search of Holberg's residence, officers located multiple (5) digital gram scales for weighing out controlled substances for purposes of sales, pay and owe notes indicating drug sales activity, and numerous items of drug use paraphernalia (hypodermic syringes, "cooker" spoons etc.). Officers also located a Ruger .357 Magnum "Police Service" revolver and a box of .40 caliber handgun ammunition in the residence.

Holberg was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for maintaining a place for purposes of drug sales, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of hypodermic syringes. Weirauch was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility where he was booked for possession of a controlled substance, possession of hypodermic syringes, and his warrant.

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