



Humboldt County Sheriff's Office

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Subject: Robbery

Case: 201106650

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 12-13-2011, 6:15 p.m. Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the Fields Landing Post Office, 6710 Fields Landing Drive, Fields Landing to a report of a robbery which just occurred. When the deputies arrived they met with the Highway Contract Route (HCR) truck driver. The 58 year old male HCR driver told the deputies he was picking up mail at the post office in his Freightliner truck when he was assaulted and pepper sprayed by two men. One of the suspects punched the driver in the face and the other suspect pepper sprayed the driver. The victim was incapacitated and was unable to call 911. A passerby called 911 for the driver. The HCR driver was treated at the scene by ambulance personnel. The suspects stole an undetermined amount of U.S. mail.

The investigating deputies were able to locate a witness who described a " White 1990's Lexis four door sedan, with tinted rear and partially tinted front windows, and gold trim on the bumpers" driving in the area of the post office at the time of robbery.

The victim described the two suspects as follows:

Suspect #1- White male, 5' 9" in height, approximately 160 pounds, wearing dark clothing

Suspect #2 Only description a male in dark clothing

United States Postal Inspectors have joined the Sheriff's Office on this case. The Sheriff's Office and US Postal Inspectors are seeking any potential witnesses, including the person who made the call to the Sheriff's Office on behalf of the injured truck driver. The United States Postal Service has a standing reward of up to \$50,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for this crime.

Anyone with information is requested to call the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line 707-268-2539 or the US Postal Inspectors 24 hour number toll free at 1-877-876-2455.

Mike Downey

Sheriff

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