

Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation

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Primary Information	
Description:	TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Assist State Crime Lab with Vehicle Search GD27469
Occurrence From:	11/07/2005 11:15
Occurrence To:	11/07/2005 15:05
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Reporting LEO:	Skorlinski, Kim J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)
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Approved By:	Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)

Related Subjects						
Name	Type	Sex	Race	DOB	Relationship	
Rite-Way Towing	Business	---	---	---	Mentioned	
Avery's Auto Salvage	Business	---	---	---	Subject of Interest	
Avery, Charles Earl	Person	Male	White	07/13/1954	Mentioned	
Avery, Earl Kevin	Person	Male	White	06/10/1970	Mentioned	

Related Vehicles					
Make	Model	Color	Tag #	Tag Year	Relationship
International	Harvester flatbed tow truck	Red	GD27469	2005	Searched
Pontiac	Grand Am GT	Blue	187JJF	1993	Seized

Record Status Information	
Record Origination Operator:	Knutson, Andrea L (DCI Appleton Field Office / Wisconsin Department of Justice DCI)
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On Monday, November 7, 2005, at approximately 11:15 a.m., while at the Marinette County Sheriff's Department, S/A Kim J. Skorlinski met with Director Mike Haas and Analysts Eric Soderlund and Larry Ventura, of the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory-Wausau, to search a red 2005 International Harvester flatbed tow truck, WI license GD27469, registered to Charles E. Avery and Earl K. Avery, d/b/a Avery Auto Salvage, 12928 Avery Road, Two Rivers. The search was being done pursuant to a search warrant issued in Calumet County on November 5, 2005. Also present during portions of the search were Lieutenant Jerry Sauve and Investigators Tony O'Neill and Todd Baldwin, of the Marinette County Sheriff's Department.

The tow truck had been seized on November 6, 2005, and stored in a locked storage facility at the Marinette County Sheriff's Department. Det. O'Neill had assigned a Marinette County Sheriff's Department receipt to the tow truck and to a blue 1993 Pontiac Grand Am, WI license 187JJF, registered to Steven Avery, 12930 Avery Road, Two Rivers, which had also been seized pursuant to the same search warrant. S/A Skorlinski requested that the Wausau crime lab personnel only search the tow truck at the storage facility, and the Pontiac Grand Am would be transported either to the crime lab in Wausau or Madison.

Analyst Ventura began by taking photographs of the outside of both vehicles and then of the inside of the cab of the tow truck. The crime lab personnel then conducted an inventory of the contents of the cab and followed with an examination of the cab using Hemastix and Luminol for the presence of blood. Director Haas indicated that no blood or hair had been found in the tow truck cab, and no items of evidentiary value were seized.

While standing outside the Pontiac Grand Am and looking in, Analyst Soderlund observed a reddish stain, which appeared to be blood, on the shift lever and console of the vehicle. Director Haas said because of the possible presence of blood and since the crime lab in Madison conducts the DNA testing, he suggested that the Pontiac Grand Am be taken to the crime lab in Madison for the search. Director Haas contacted the crime lab personnel in Madison and made those arrangements.

Lt. Sauve then contacted Rite-Way Towing, Marinette to make arrangements to have the Pontiac Grand Am placed on a flatbed tow truck and transported to crime lab in Madison on Tuesday, November 8, 2005.

At approximately 3:05 p.m., the crime lab personnel from Wausau concluded their search.

At approximately 4:00 p.m., Charles "Chuck" Avery was transported to the Marinette County Sheriff's Department by a Marinette County Sheriff's deputy. Inv. Baldwin then turned over to Chuck his red 2005 International Harvester flatbed tow truck.

A copy of the Marinette County Sheriff's Department property receipt for the International Harvester will be electronically attached to this report and a copy will be placed into the case file.