

Wisconsin DOJ Division of Criminal Investigation

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Report Date: 02/21/2006

Primary Information

Description: TERESA MARIE HALBACH: Follow-up Interview with Rachael Higgs
 Occurrence From: 02/20/2006 19:27
 Occurrence To: 02/20/2006 19:34
 Dissemination Code: Agency
 Reporting LEO: Fassbender, Thomas J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)
 Approval Status: Approved
 Approved Date: 02/24/2006
 Approved By: Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)

Related Addresses

Address	Relationship
190 W Alerton, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207, United States of America	Other

Related Subjects

Name	Type	Sex	Race	DOB	Relationship
Auto Trader	Business	---	---	---	Mentioned
Halbach, Teresa Marie	Person	Female	White	03/22/1980	Deceased
Higgs, Rachael J	Person	Female	Unknown	11/24/1985	Interviewed
Avery, Steven Allen Sr	Person	Male	White	07/09/1962	Suspect

Related Telephones

Telephone Number	Relationship
(262) 391-2072	Listed On Document
(414) 483-7533	Number Called

Record Status Information

Record Origination Operator: Price, Denise (DCI Appleton Field Office)
 Record Origination Date: 02/21/2006 11:37
 Last Update Operator: Kelly, Carolyn S (Wisconsin Statewide Intelligence Center DCI)
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Reporting LEO	Date	Supervisor	Date
Fassbender, Thomas J (Appleton Special Assignments DCI)		Kelly, Carolyn S (Madison Arson DCI)	9/12/2016

Narrative begins on the following page.

On Monday, February 20, 2006, at approximately 7:27 p.m., S/A Thomas J. Fassbender telephoned Rachael Higgs at 414-483-7533. Higgs is a former employee for Auto Trader magazine, in Hales Corners, WI.

Upon making contact with Higgs, S/A Fassbender identified himself and advised he was doing some follow-up investigation on Teresa Halbach's case. Higgs agreed to answer some questions.

Higgs provided her address as 190 W Alerton Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53207, and her cellular telephone as 262-391-2072.

S/A Fassbender asked Higgs how many times Steven Avery had come to the door dressed in only a towel according to Teresa Halbach. Higgs advised more than one occasion. Higgs said she remembered talking to Halbach on the cell phone about it. Higgs said she could not remember how many times for sure. S/A Fassbender asked how many times Halbach actually talked about Avery doing that. Higgs advised a couple of times she talked about the Avery's, but may have mentioned the towel incidents during only one of the conversations.

S/A Fassbender referred to a prior interview Higgs had with S/A Neil McGrath, wherein she talked about Halbach mentioning some sort of display in Avery's house. Higgs advised Halbach had stated there were photos or phone numbers or something along the lines of other women and Avery had stated to Halbach that he would have her (Teresa Halbach) as his girlfriend. Halbach said Avery told her this as a forceful thing, or something that Halbach wouldn't have much say in it.

S/A Fassbender asked Higgs if she had remembered anything else since speaking with S/A McGrath and she advised no. S/A Fassbender asked Higgs to telephone S/A Fassbender if she remembered anything else and she agreed to do so.

The interview was concluded at approximately 7:34 p.m.