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PRESS RELEASE

TO: All Local Media

FROM: Master Officer Samuel Winkler

RE: Mail Theft arrest

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****Please review the following information for consideration to be included in routine reporting.****

On Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 11:15 PM, officers with the South Jordan Police Department responded on a citizen report of possible mail theft in-progress. Witnesses observed a silver Chevrolet passenger van driving on the wrong side of the street, stopping at mailboxes and pulling items out of the mailboxes.

The witnesses quickly notified law enforcement and maintained a safe distance from the suspect vehicle while reporting the updated location to police. As officers pulled into the area, they encountered a female walking away from the van and spoke with this female. While speaking with her, she dropped a methamphetamine pipe and admitted to being involved in mail theft in the area.

Officers arrested Jennifer Cutsforth, 02-16-71 age 44, of Draper, Utah and transported her to the Salt Lake County Adult Detention Center on charges related to mail theft and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The vehicle Mrs. Cutsforth was driving contained hundreds of pieces of mail belonging to 127 known separate victims from Eagle Mountain to Salt Lake City. Mrs. Cutsforth was also in possession of numerous credit cards that do not bear her name. South Jordan Investigators are in the process of contacting each of those victims to determine if the property was stolen.

“The witnesses in this case did exactly what they were supposed to do: they observed something out of the ordinary and quickly notified law enforcement. They also maintained visual observation of the suspect from a safe distance to assist law enforcement in taking this suspect into custody. This cooperation between citizens and police is what made it possible to arrest this suspect who potentially could have committed an identity theft crime against these 127 victims,” Master Officer Samuel Winkler, South Jordan Police Department.

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