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Supplemental Report
Investigative Division

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Complaint Number: **05-4120**
Officer: Det. O'Neill

On Sunday November 6th 2005 at about 11:55 A.M. R/O along with Det. Baldwin and Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigation Agent's Kim Skorlinski and Deb (Unsure last name) met with Deputy Degnitz on Parkway Rd south of CTH X as he was directed to stop the Steven Avery vehicle, Wisconsin Registration 187JJF, 1993 Pontiac Grand Am 2D Blue in color owned by Steven Avery.

The vehicle had previously been parked at the Avery property located at N9493 Highline Road in the Town of Stephenson.

The Avery vehicle was now being operated by Steven Avery's nephew **Bryan J. Dassey M/W D.O.B. 07-15-85** with a passenger identified as the operators juvenile brother **Brendan R. Dassey M/W D.O.B. 10-19-89**. Both brothers reside with their mother at 12930 (#A) Avery Road in Two Rivers Wisconsin.

Agent Skorlinski had previously secured a search warrant relative to a Missing Person Investigation (Calumet County) for the seizure of the Avery Pontiac and subsequent to the stop by Deputy Degnitz, the Avery vehicle, was towed by Witts Towing of Crivitz to the Marinette County Sheriff's Department Impound and followed to the impound without incident by Deputy Degnitz.

Agent Skorlinski and Agent Deb had talked to the driver Bryan Dassey and Det. Baldwin and myself met with and spoke to Brendan Dassey. It was told to us that both Dassey's had borrowed their uncle's car so as to go to the convenience store to buy some soda.

I asked Brendan if he would sit and talk with Det. Baldwin and myself in my unmarked squad car. While in my car I informed Brendan that he was not under arrest and that he was free to leave at any time. Brendan agreed to talk to us.

During the interview Brendan told us that he lives with his mother on Avery Road next to his uncle Steven Avery. He told us that he had never seen Teresa Halbach nor her Toyota SUV at their property on Avery Rd. When I asked Brendan specifically about seeing either Halbach or her vehicle on Monday October 31st 2005 he again told us that he had not seen either.

I had been informed by Agent Skorlinski that Law Enforcement also involved in this investigation had interviewed the school bus driver that would have dropped off Brendan and his brother Blaine at the end of their driveway in Two Rivers Wisconsin on Monday October 31st 2005 at about 3:45 P.M. and that the driver had reported seeing both Halbach and her vehicle on the Avery property and that she was taking photos of a vehicle for sale close to the road where the boy's were dropped off (Steven Avery's Blazer).

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When I confronted Brendan about seeing Teresa Halbach when he had gotten off the bus with his brother on that Monday, Brendan now said that he had seen Teresa Halbach and her vehicle and that he did not tell us because he did not want to go to jail. When I asked Brendan as to what he had seen of Teresa, Brendan said that while he was walking down the driveway with his brother they had moved off to the side of the driveway to allow the Toyota SUV go by. Brendan told us that the vehicle had been traveling out of the driveway toward the road and that it had only been on the property for five minutes.

When asked again as to if he had seen Teresa out of the vehicle by the van by his and his uncles home Brendan now told us that while he was in his home after walking down the driveway to his home, from the kitchen by the kitchen sink window Brendan had seen his uncle Steven Avery and the girl taking pictures by the van parked in front of his home.

Det. Baldwin and myself provided transportation for Brendan to the Avery cabin located on Highline Road without incident.

Upon arrival at the Avery property on Highline Road the Avery's were informed by S/A Skorlinski of the seizure of the car and were also informed that the 2005 International Harvester Flatbed Tow Truck was to be seized as well subsequent to the Search Warrants issued. S/A Skorlinski provided copies of the search warrants to the Avery family.

Charles Avery co-owner of the Tow Truck expressed concern over it being transported to the Marinette County Impound by Amore's Towing whom had been on scene. His concern was that the truck as new as it was if towed improperly could be damaged. His request to drive the Tow Truck to the impound was granted. Det. Baldwin accompanied Charles Avery on the drive to the Marinette County Sheriff's Department Impound where it was secured.

On Monday November 7th 2005 State of Wisconsin Crime Lab personnel arrived and processed the Tow Truck for any relative evidence. Upon completion of the processing for evidence the truck was released back to Charles Avery.

On Monday November 7th 2005 I along with Det. Baldwin, Lt. Sauve and S/A Skorlinski went to the Marinette County Sheriff's Department Impound Garage and found that the Avery vehicle remained secured. Having now been made aware by S/A Skorlinski that contrary to what Steven Avery told me about the clothes he was wearing on Monday October 31st being at home in a clothes dryer there were none located.

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On Saturday November 5th 2005 while at the Avery property on Highline Road in the Town of Stephenson (Consent Search) I had observed a brown paper bag in the Avery vehicle trunk containing men's clothing. (Jeans, Shirt, Sweat Shirt, Underwear) as well as a disposable cigarette lighter (Avery doesn't smoke) and a hand held flash light (yellow and black). Upon reexamining the trunk I now found no bag as I had previously observed on the 5th of November. The Avery vehicle was then secured for transport to the State of Wisconsin Crime Lab.

Audio Taped Interview Brendan Dassey



Anthony J. O'Neill
Detective