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Media Release

Incident: Multiple Burglaries
Location: Colchester Drive, Akeman Bridge Road, O'Neal Road
Date & time: 8/19/10 @ 1012
Case Number: 10-4538; 10-4608; 10-4609; 10-4611

Details:

A Jefferson City man and a female accomplice were arrested today (8/19/10) by Boone County sheriff's deputies on suspicion of committing three residential burglaries and a larceny northwest of Columbia.

Bobby Bailey, 33, of 210 Chris Drive in Jefferson City and Melissa Crowell, 25, of 8404 Route E, were being held in the Boone County Jail awaiting bond to be set. Deputies responded to a home in the 1300 block of Colchester Drive at 10:12 a.m. after a homeowner heard someone attempting to force entry through a rear window. The suspects fled after apparently realizing the home was occupied.

A short time later, deputies received a call of a suspicious vehicle on nearby Small Lane. While deputies investigated the burglary on Colchester Drive, another officer spotted the vehicle, a tan Ford Taurus, at the intersection of Akeman Bridge Road and Route E.

At that time the deputy made contact with Crowell who was alone and driving the vehicle and made statements that Bailey had entered a home on Akeman Bridge Road near Route E with the intent to commit burglary.

Deputies immediately surrounded the home and a sheriff's department canine unit was deployed to the scene and officers began a search of the home. Bailey was found after a short search hiding in a closet and was taken into custody.

During this time, a homeowner in the 7900 block of O'Neal Road reported his house had been burglarized. It is not known at this time if any property was stolen.

Crowell also faces an additional charge of suspicion of stealing stemming from an incident on Route E earlier this month where jewelry and a pressure washer were stolen from a home

At the time of this media release, mugshots of the two suspects were not available.

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Release authorized by: Det. Tom O'Sullivan, #5040