



BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Media Release

Incident: Drug related search warrant
Location: 1800 Interstate 70 Drive Southwest, Royal Inn, Room 110
Date & time: 02-11-15 @ 10:40 am
Case Number: 15-0680

Details:

On the above date and time, the Boone County Sheriff's Department served a drug related search warrant at 1800 Interstate 70 Drive Southwest, Royal Inn, Room 110. The search warrant was obtained after deputies gathered information that synthetic cannabinoids were being sold from the room.

Numerous items of evidentiary value were located including synthetic cannabinoids, packaging material, and digital scales. Evidence suggests that the synthetic cannabinoids were being bought in larger quantities then repackaged into smaller quantities inside the motel room for resale.

Synthetic cannabis, or technically synthetic cannabinoid receptor agonists, are drugs that attempt to mimic the effects of cannabis. Many times they have much more severe and unwanted side effects. There are several psychoactive synthetic cannabinoid families that are commonly sprayed on herbs then smoked and sold as natural highs under brand names like **K2 and Spice**. Many of these substances are specifically listed as schedule 1 controlled substances under Missouri statutes. Others are schedule 1 controlled substances defined under the "analogue" portion of RsMO 195.022.

Arrested were:

Robert Eugene McTye, age 38, of Columbia was arrested for Distribution of a Controlled Substance, RsMO 195.211.

Misty Guzman-Castro, age 34, of Columbia was issued a summons for Prostitution, RsMO 567.020

At the time of this release booking photos were not available. A current photo can be viewed at the Sheriff's Department website tomorrow morning after 7:00 a.m. at:

<http://www.boonecountymo.org/sheriff/0700/0700.asp>

All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Release date & time: 02-11-15 @ 1:00 pm
Release authorized by: Sgt. Britt Shea