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MICHAEL D. AVERY, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE and TIME OF INCIDENT: May 30, 2007 – 2028 hours

TYPE OF INCIDENT: H&S 11550(a) – Under Influence, H&S 11378 – Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale, H&S 11379 – Transportation of Controlled Substance.

VICTIM: State of California

LOCATION OCCURRED: 1600 blk. S. China Lake Blvd.

SUSPECT: Albert Thomas Thompson – WMA

On 5/30/07 at about 2028 hours, Officer Sparks stopped a vehicle in the 1600 blk. S. China Lake Blvd. for speeding. During contact with the driver, Albert “Tommy” Thompson, Officer Sparks detected that Thompson was displaying symptoms of recent controlled substance use. Officer Dilley and canine partner “Nitto” arrived on scene to assist. Nitto conducted a walk around of the vehicle and alerted for the presence of narcotics. Officer Sparks conducted a search of the vehicle and located approximately 386 grams of suspected methamphetamine in a Tupperware container. Also located in the vehicle were several unused zip-lock baggies, cell phones, scanner and approximately \$1,500. in U.S.Currency. All items located, are indicative of possessing the controlled substance with the intent of sales.

Street value of the methamphetamine seized which was intended to be distributed within the City of Ridgecrest is approximately \$38,600.00

Thompson was placed under arrest for the above listed charges and his “Enterprise” rental car was removed from the scene. Thompson was eventually taken to the Kern County Sheriff’s Department for booking pending \$32,500. bail.

Photographs are available upon request.

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