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DATE: 04/28/2014

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Duluth Man Arrested for Motor Vehicle Tampering & MV Theft

CASE NO.: 14086028 & 14086066 INCIDENT DATE :04/26/2014 INCIDENT TIME: 10:49 AM

**INCIDENT LOCATION: 10 block West Michigan Street** 

SUBJECT: Duluth Man Arrested for Motor Vehicle Tampering and MV Theft

BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen (218) 390-2232

On Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 10:49 AM Duluth Police were called to the 10 block of West Michigan Street on the theft of a moped from the back of a pickup truck.

Initial investigation revealed a male suspect had taken the moped out of the bed of the owner's truck and when the owner confronted the suspect at Lake Avenue & Superior Street he dropped it. He was last seen on foot eastbound on Superior Street.

At 11:55 AM Duluth Police received a call of a male suspect prowling vehicles in the Depot parking lot, 500 West Michigan Street. Witnesses saw the suspect trying doors to 2 parked vehicles before entering an unlocked 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle. Officers arrived and located the suspect still inside of the vehicle and he was arrested.

He was identified as Timothy Lane Sandstrom, a 27 year old male resident of Duluth. The officers noted that Sandstrom matched the description of the suspect in the earlier moped theft.

Sandstrom has the following convictions in Minnesota:

2010 – Felony Theft of a Motor Vehicle & DWI

2010 – Felony 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance

2012 – Felony 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Sale of a Controlled Substance

Timothy Sandstrom was transported to the Saint Louis County Jail for Motor Vehicle Tampering (four counts), Possession of Stolen Property, 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Hypodermic Needle and Motor Vehicle Theft.

