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NEWS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release

Alleged Drug House Raided in Hemby Bridge

The Union County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team (**SRT**) executed a search warrant on the residence of a suspected heroin dealer Thursday morning, at 8217 Idlewild Road, Hemby Bridge, NC. A total of five suspects were arrested without incident on various drug-related charges. Investigators seized heroin with a street value of approximately \$15,000, six firearms, marijuana, and assorted needles and drug paraphernalia from the residence.

The investigation was initiated in response to citizen complaints of suspected drug activity, and a high level of vehicle and foot traffic in and out of the residence during all hours of the day, according to Sheriff Eddie Cathey. Officers followed up on these tips, and were able to make several undercover purchases of heroin from the residence over the past month. Sheriff Cathey stated that detectives from the Monroe Police Department also assisted with the investigation.



David Donald Walker (42)

8217 Idlewild Road
Hemby Bridge, NC

Charges: Trafficking in Opium (2 counts), Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substance, Maintain Dwelling to Sell/Store Controlled Substances, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Firearm by Convicted Felon, Possession of Firearm with Altered Serial Number.

\$600,000 secured bond and February 17, 2015 court date.



Lila Suzanne Bartholow (41)

8217 Idlewild Road
Hemby Bridge, NC

Charges: Trafficking in Opium, Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substance, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia,

\$25,000 secured bond and February 17, 2015 court date.



Leo Charles Furr, III (33)
8217 Idlewild Road
Hemby Bridge, NC

Charges: Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substance, Felony Possession of Heroin, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Probation Violation.

\$ 20,000 secured bond and February 17, 2015 court date.



David Haro Avila (26)
**** No permanent address****
Charlotte, NC

Charges: Trafficking in Opium (3 counts), Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

\$1,000,000. secured bond and February 17, 2015 court date.



Brittany Kay Walker (21)
8217 Idlewild Road
Hemby Bridge, NC

Charges: Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

\$1,000 secured bond and February 17, 2015 court date.

Point of contact for this press release is Lieutenant Kevin James, 704-283-3722.

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Citizens with information concerning criminal activity are encouraged to call:

Union County Sheriff's Office at 704-283-3789

Or

Union County Crimestoppers at 704-283-5600
