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PRESS RELEASE

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Warren County Sheriff Kevin Harrison reports the arrest of a 34 year old man from Wright City on September 23, 2011 for charges of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor Child, Promoting Child Pornography 1st Degree, and Sexual Assault / Statutory Sodomy 1st Degree. The suspect was identified as:



Randall P. Abernathy, W, M, 34 Years Old
28000 Block of Orchard Farm Circle, Wright City, MO
Sexual Exploitation of a Minor Child
Promoting Child Pornography 1st Degree
Sexual Assault / Statutory Sodomy 1st Degree
\$100,000.00 Cash Only Bond

The charges originated from a call from Abernathy's fiancé that she had found nude and sexually explicit photographs of an eleven year old female child on Abernathy's cellular phone. WBSD Detective Aaron Sutton was assigned the investigation and determined that Abernathy began taking the photographs approximately one year ago, and that he had done it as recently as two weeks ago. It was also determined that Abernathy had deviate sexual contact with the victim, and was trading photographs online for other pictures.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kevin T. Harrison'.

Sheriff Kevin T. Harrison