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SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND EDEN POLICE SEEK INDIVIDUALS FOLLOWING BUSINESS BREAK-IN/THEFT AND VEHICLE PURSUIT

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[EDEN, N.C.]— On Thursday, February 16, 2017 at approximately 2:20am, Eden Police Officers responded to Eden Lawn Mower located at 100 E Aiken Rd, Eden, N.C. following an alarm activation at the business.

Upon arrival, responding Eden Officers found that a 2007 Chevrolet Silverado truck had backed through the front doors of the business to gain entry, at which time two suspects exited the truck and began taking items from the business and loading them into the back of the pickup truck. The suspects got back in the truck and fled the scene traveling southbound towards Reidsville on N.C. 14. Eden Police Detective Buffkin responded to the scene.

Rockingham County Sheriff's Deputy Josh Cayton was on routine patrol on N.C. 14 when he encountered the vehicle. Upon trying to initiate a traffic stop, the truck fled and a pursuit ensued. The vehicle reached speeds of 95-100mph while attempting to elude Deputy Cayton. The pursuit ended after the truck turned down a dead end road inside of Caswell County, with the occupants of the truck then fleeing on foot into the surrounding wooded area.

Items stolen from Eden Lawn Mower, and recovered following the pursuit, were: a Stihl Cut off Saw \$449.95, Stihl backpack blower \$279.95, a Stihl backpack blower \$549.95, a Stihl Chainsaw \$1249.95. Eden Police estimate approximately \$12,000 worth of property and structural damage to Eden Lawn Mower's business during the break-in/theft.

Upon further investigation, Eden P.D. Detective Buffkin has secured warrants for arrest for **Henry Auburn Tuggle, Jr.**, 42, of 2 Flagstone Court Thomasville, N.C. for Felony Breaking and Entering, Felony Larceny and Injury to Real Property. Additional charges against Tuggle are anticipated from the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office as well in connection to the vehicle pursuit. Tuggle is pictured in this release and is currently being sought by the Eden Police Department and Rockingham County Sheriff's Deputies.

Investigators are still trying to identify the second individual that was with Tuggle and participated in the break-in/theft at Eden Lawn Mower. Anyone with information about the identity of this second suspect or the whereabouts of Henry Auburn Tuggle, Jr., is asked to call Eden P.D. Detective J. Buffkin at 336-623-9755 or Rockingham County Crime Stoppers at 336-349-9683.

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Henry Auburn Tuggle, Jr.



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