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On August 16, 2009 at 8:57 PM officers of the Redding Police Department were called to the Motel 6 at 1640 Hilltop Drive regarding a complaint of possible methamphetamine use in an adjacent room. The anonymous caller complained of odors coming from the room below which were causing skin irritation. Officers checked room 124 and met with the occupant, Mark Kegarise, age 47, of Redding, and Tabitha Willard, age 24, of Redding.

Mr. Kegarise was found to be on probation for auto theft and drug related offenses. Also, Willard was on parole for drug offenses. The officers conducted a search of the room and found almost 14 grams of methamphetamine packaged for sale in a bag on the television stand. Other drug paraphernalia used for ingesting the drugs were located throughout the room.

Both Kegarise and Willard were arrested and booked into Shasta County Jail for possession of drugs for sale and possession of drug paraphernalia. Additionally, Kegarise was booked for violation of probation and Willard was arrested for violating her parole.

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