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Missing Person Found Murdered in Paulding County

(Paulding County, GA): On June 1, 2016 HOWARD SEWELL was reported missing to the Cobb County Police Department by his family. At the time the report was filed, he had been missing for two or three days.

On June 3, 2016 at approximately 8:46 pm the Paulding County Sheriff’s Office was called to the scene of an unidentified deceased body which had been dumped just off of Marietta Highway (GA 120 East) behind the Gerber Auto Body Shop. The body was subsequently sent to the GBI Crime Lab and was later positively identified by forensic pathologists to be the body of HOWARD SEWELL. Forensic Pathologists further determined that the manner of death was a homicide. Since this is an active investigation, Detectives and Agents are unable to release any additional details at this time.

The Paulding County Sheriff’s Office, along with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Marietta Police Department, and the Cobb County Police Department are investigating HOWARD SEWELL'S disappearance and homicide. At this time, Detectives and Agents are following up on leads and are diligently working to determine who all is involved in this crime.

Detectives and Agents are encouraging anyone who has any information regarding the disappearance and homicide of HOWARD SEWELL to please call Crime Stoppers at (404) 577-TIPS (8477) or the Paulding County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division at (770) 443-3015. Crime Stoppers is offering up to $2000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the disappearance and homicide of HOWARD SEWELL.