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Multiple Public Tips Lead to Arrest in Assault on LTD Driver

Thanks to many tips received by investigators after the release of the surveillance photos, the suspect who assaulted a bus driver was identified and yesterday taken into custody.

Tamela Mae Trice, 21, was arrested by officers at a location in the 1300 block of Oak Patch without incident. Trice has been arrested on Assault in the Third Degree and Interfering with Public Transportation.

This incident is one of many examples of police partnership with the media and the public in identifying a suspect and the investigators would like to thank all who assisted in identifying Trice.

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Previous Release:

Police Investigating Assault on LTD Bus Driver
Case No. 12-17608

On October 4th shortly after 7:00 p.m. Eugene Police were notified of an assault that had just occurred on an LTD bus. The bus driver victim reported that a white female approximately 19- to 20-years-old, around 5’7” tall with a slim build and blonde shoulder length hair had just assaulted him.

The driver told officers that the female entered the bus near Barger and Golden Gardens and sat in a seat near the rear of the bus placing her feet on the seat in front of her. When the victim informed the suspect that she could not do that the suspect reportedly became belligerent with the driver, who pulled the bus over to the side of the road and instructed the suspect she would need to leave the bus. Prior to exiting the bus the female suspect struck the bus driver causing minor injuries.
Police are hoping that the public will recognize the suspect in the surveillance photos and contact Officer Sean Kelley at 541.682.5154 x 1144.