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FORT COLLINS POLICE SERVICES, LOVELAND POLICE, ATF ANNOUNCES \$5,000 REWARD IN THEFT OF FIREARMS

FORT COLLINS, Colo. - The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Fort Collins police and Loveland police announced today a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the burglary of two businesses in the Northern Colorado area.

The first incident occurred Dec. 11, 2011, at Dick's Sporting Goods store, in the Promenade Shops at Centerra, 5875 Sky Pond Drive, Loveland, Colo. An unknown burglar smashed a store window on the west side of the building at approximately 10:45 p.m., entered the business, broke security padlocks and stole two Remington rifles.

The second incident occurred Dec. 17, 2011, approximately 4:20 a.m. at the Sports Authority store, in the Front Range Village shopping center, 4417 Corbett Drive, Fort Collins, Colo. The lone suspect forced entry into the business through a locked back door, cut the cables securing firearms and stole five rifles from the display case.

The suspects in both incidents are described as a medium or stocky built man wearing dark clothes. Investigators believe the burglaries were done by the same suspect. A photograph of the suspect is attached.

The following seven rifles were stolen from the two businesses/Federal Firearms Licensees:

- 1 Bushmaster XM15-E2S rifle
- 1 Colt M4 Carbine rifle
- 1 Heckler & Koch MP5 Carbine rifle
- 2 Smith & Wesson M&P rifles
- 2 Remington R-15 VTR Predator rifles

Below are examples of the types of firearms stolen:

Remington R-15 VTR Predator



Colt M4 Carbine



Suspect photos:



Because of the nature of the items taken, police believe the suspect may be a danger to the community and are seeking any information which may lead to the identification and arrest of the suspect. Citizens with any information about this crime are encouraged to contact the **ATF Gun Hotline: (800) ATF GUNS, (800) 283-4867** or **Crime Stoppers of Larimer County at 970-221-6868** where you will remain anonymous and possibly be eligible for a cash reward. Crime Stoppers may also be reached through their Web site at <u>www.stopcriminals.org</u>. More information on ATF and its programs can be found at <u>www.atf.gov</u>.