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WILLIAMSPORT MAN ARRESTED ON MULTIPLE FELONY CHARGES IN RACE TRUCK FRAUD SCHEME

Carlisle, PA - The Pennsylvania State Police, Troop H, Carlisle, announces the arrest of Yancy CUPP, age 52, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, on multiple felony and misdemeanor charges stemming from a scheme to fraudulently title and sell a retired professional NASCAR race truck as a street-legal passenger vehicle.

CUPP was charged with Dealing in Proceeds of Unlawful Activities, Alteration or Destruction of a Vehicle Identification Number, Disposition of a Vehicle with an Altered Vehicle Identification Number, Theft by Deception, Forgery, Criminal use of a Communication Facility, Deceptive Business Practices, False Application for a Certificate of Title or Registration, Tampering with Public Records, and Board of Vehicle violations for Deceptive Vehicle advertisements .

Investigation revealed that CUPP purchased a retired professional race truck from a NASCAR truck series driver and subsequently installed a fraudulent Vehicle Identification Number plate taken from an unrelated vehicle. CUPP then used that fraudulent VIN to obtain a Pennsylvania certificate of title, despite the race truck never having had a title or VIN in any state.

CUPP advertised the race truck on eBay as a street-legal 1999 Chevrolet S10, falsely claiming the vehicle had been converted to street legal by its former NASCAR owner, a claim the former owner explicitly denied. The vehicle was subsequently sold at Carlisle Auto Auction in Cumberland County for \$10,000. A physical examination of the vehicle by investigators confirmed it was not street legal.

Charges through District Court 09-2-02; (District Court's PH# 717-240-6564).

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