



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: February 7th, 2013 INCIDENT TIME: 1:29 AM
INCIDENT LOCATION: Willow River Rd South, Rural Orr area, Northern St Louis County

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4; Procedures B.1, A thru J & I, 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: Melanie Rose Porter Age: 27 Address: Orr, MN

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INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The St Louis County Sheriff's Office is investigating an incident which occurred overnight in the rural area west of the City of Orr in northern St Louis County. Officers were called by family members who reported a 26 year-old female family member had assaulted two family members with a knife and started a fire in the family's basement. Family members extinguished the fire and restrained the female until officers arrived. An ambulance and First Responders were called but no medical treatment was needed.

The female was taken into custody and is being held in the St Louis County Jail in Hibbing pending formal charges.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

Orr Ambulance, Greany-Rauch-Silverdale Fire Department First Responders

AUTHORITY: Sgt James P. McKenzie DATE: February 7th, 2013 TIME: 9:35 AM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

Melanie Rose Porter appeared in St Louis County Court in Hibbing on Friday, February 8th, and was formally charged with Second Degree Assault, Terroristic Threats and First Degree Arson. Her bail was set at \$50,000. Porter is currently being held at the St Louis County Jail in Duluth. Porter's next court appearance is scheduled for February 14th, 2013

AUTHORITY: Sgt James P. McKenzie DATE: February 9th, 2013 TIME: 3:30 PM