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SLED SEEKING PUBLIC'S HELP IN IDENTIFYING ARSONIST

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are seeking the public's assistance in identifying an individual who intentionally set fire to a police vehicle belonging to the Pine Ridge Police Department on July 31, 2020. The unknown male subject set fire to the vehicle while it was parked at the Police Department located at 2757 Fish Hatchery Road.

"By deliberately choosing to destroy the vehicle and commit this criminal act, this individual purposefully put members of the Pine Ridge community in additional danger by significantly reducing law enforcements ability to respond to an emergency," said Lt. Brad Keller of SLED's Arson Unit. "Our citizens deserve better and this criminal should be held responsible for his actions."

The suspect is described as a white male, ranging between 20-35 years old, and approximately 6 feet tall.

Anyone with information about the incident or who may know the individual involved are asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 1-888- CRIME SC (888-274-6372).

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MEDIA NOTE:

Link to video showing incident and suspect available at link provided here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2bfKkk-Re88&feature=youtu.be>

Still photos pulled from video are also attached to news release and can be sent separately upon request.

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PHOTOS OF SUSPECT:

