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Chief Wayne M. Longo

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Report # 09C4736
Date of incident: 021809
Time incident reported: 7:35am
Location: 330 W. Appleway

On 021809 Coeur d'Alene Police responded to Kootenai Medical Center for the report of a male victim with a gunshot wound. Kevin M. Peterson, 45 years of age of Coeur d'Alene, reported he had accidentally shot himself in the leg while exiting his vehicle in the parking lot of the Guesthouse, a local motel. Peterson said he had his 9mm handgun in his left hand as he exited his truck and it discharged striking him in the knee. His wife was present when the accident occurred.

Peterson was transported to KMC and is in stable condition. Peterson faces possible charges for discharging a firearm in the City limits. He has a local criminal arrest history that includes exhibition of a deadly weapon in 2006, discharging a firearm in the City limits in 2000, and disturbing the peace in 2001. He has a criminal arrest history out of Washington in 2003 that includes domestic violence, exhibition of a deadly weapon, assault, and disorderly conduct. He has a criminal arrest history out of Colorado in 1991-1994 that includes obstructing police, possessing explosives, possession of a weapon, and a weapon offense.

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