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Router Interrogation

Case # 22-M09903
Date: 11/15/2022

On November 13, 2022, I responded to 1122 King Road in Moscow, Idaho in an attempt to interrogate the wireless router located at this residence. After speaking with Cpl Brett Payne, he informed me the wireless router and cable modem were located in the living room on the second floor.

After arrival, I used an ethernet cable to connect my laptop to the Local Area Network (LAN) ports on the back of the Spectrum WiFi 6 router with the Serial # [REDACTED]. The router then provided my laptop with an IP address and Gateway IP, which resolved to the router.

I attempted to locate a web-based management portal for the device but was prompted to download the Spectrum app and use the account username and password to access the device. I contacted Spectrum technical support and found this was the only way for the client to access the data on the device.

I then called the Charter Law Enforcement Response Team (LERT) and spoke with a representative and tried to ascertain if Charter/Spectrum could retrieve data from the router via their diagnostic portal. After several days and phone calls to Charter, I spoke with T [REDACTED] D [REDACTED], the manager of the Legal Response Operations Center. D [REDACTED] stated her team was working on verifying if the router hardware was able to be accessed.

On November 17, 2022, I again called Charter and left a voicemail. D [REDACTED] returned my phone call and stated her technicians were able to access and download the data from the router, however, the did not preserve the correct timeframe specified in my request. I was told she would have her technicians retry and preserve the data.

On November 17, 2022, I again called Charter and left a voicemail for D [REDACTED]. I received a call back from D [REDACTED] who stated the technicians were able to retrieve data for the time periods of September 14, 2022 to November 7, 2022 and November 11, 2022 to November 14, 2022. I was informed there was a problem with

their cloud services and that resulted in the data loss for November 8-10. I informed [REDACTED] I would be applying for a warrant and requesting that data with the legal process.

From my training and experience, I know wireless routers (WIFI routers) allow wireless devices (phones, tablets, laptops, etc) to connect to them for access to the internet or other devices on the local area network (LAN). During this process, after a device has successfully connected to the wireless router, a log of this connection, and the specific MAC address (Media Access Control) of each device, is kept on the device. If a user previously selected the "connect automatically" setting while connecting to the wireless router, which is a common default setting, the device will connect to the router automatically without any user input. These devices would have to be in close proximity of the router to be shown on the MAC address log.

The data previously stored on the wireless router, located at 1122 King Road, and preserved by Charter/Spectrum, may show individual MAC addresses of devices connected to the device. If the suspect had previously connected to the wireless router, was in close proximity to the wireless router located in the residence, this device may have automatically connected and appear on the MAC address logs. This could provide evidence of when a device was in close proximity of the router on the night Madison Mogen, Kaylee Goncalves, Xana Kernodle and Ethan Chapin were murdered.

I requested the assistance of the Latah County Prosecutor's Office in applying for a warrant to serve on Charter for the data records preserved and stored at Charter Communications, associated with the Spectrum Wireless Router with Serial Number [REDACTED] and MAC [REDACTED], and Spectrum Cable Modem with MAC [REDACTED] and Serial Number [REDACTED] from the time frame of September 14, 2022 to November 14, 2022.

On November 21, 2022, I was granted a warrant for the data preserved by Charter and served the warrant at approximately 2039 hours via email to [REDACTED]@Charter.com.

On November 22, 2022, I received an email from M [REDACTED] stating the files were ready to download via the Charter Portal. I logged into the portal, downloaded the files and saved them to a computer in the secure forensic lab at the Moscow Police Department.

I completed the warrant return receipt and affidavit. These documents were sent to the M [REDACTED] Prosecutor's Office to be returned to the court. I also emailed a copy of the receipt to Charter [REDACTED]@charter.com), as this was the originating email address associated with the documents.

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