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PARENT'S ARRESTED FOR UNLAWFUL NEGLECT OF A CHILD

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On January 13, 2010 at approximately 2052 hours officers of the Bluffton Police Department were dispatched to 468 Gardners Lane, Bluffton, SC 29910 for an open door and a dog barking inside the residence. Upon arriving, they found no one there but discovered a repulsive scene when entering the residence.

The odor of ammonia and feces was emitting from the front door of the residence. Further examination found the residence in disarray and animal feces throughout it. One dog and three cats were located inside. While officers were there, the occupants of the resident arrived home. They are David Beck, Elsbeth Freidman, and a juvenile child.

The investigation into this incident revealed that the family has been living at the residence in this condition for more then a year. It was determined to charge the adults with Unlawful Neglect of a Child [63-5-70(A)(1)&(2)]. Also, David Beck was charged with four counts of Ill Treatment of Animals (47-1-40).

The animals were turned over to the Beaufort County Animal Control and the minor child was turned over to relatives.

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