5-01/030.25 - Radio Broadcasts

Requested broadcasts of stolen vehicles will be made only if the vehicle in question has been stolen during the preceding hour.

In addition to this time element, broadcasts shall be further governed by the following:

- On routine requests which indicate that a signed stolen vehicle report has been obtained, at least the make, model, license number, and date and time stolen must be included in the report to the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC);
- In cases where a vehicle is reported as having just been stolen, the dispatching deputy may put out a broadcast of a "possible" stolen vehicle and include the make, color, type, and license number of the vehicle. The broadcast may be made at the time of dispatching a radio car to take the report and should only be made if such broadcast is warranted in the judgment of the dispatching deputy; and
- In emergency situations, where the vehicle is apparently being used in the commission of a crime such as robbery, kidnapping, escape, etc. a detailed broadcast may be requested; however, if there is no signed stolen vehicle report, the deputy must make certain that the radio communications operator is fully aware that no signed stolen has been obtained and that there is only a "possible" involvement of the vehicle in conjunction with a crime.