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08/29/2018

On 08/28/2018 at approximately 5:53 PM the Covington/Newton County 911 Center received a phone call from 65 Brown Thrasher Run, Oxford, GA.

The caller, later identified as 31 year old Jennifer Michelle Bellah, advised she had shot her 2 year old daughter using a firearm. Deputies responded to the address, contacted Jennifer Bellah without incident, and discovered the unresponsive body of 2 year old Natalya Bellah. Coroner, Tommy Davis, pronounced Natalya Bellah dead at the scene.

Jennifer Bellah was detained pending further investigation.

Investigator's applied for and received a search warrant for the residence. A pistol, spent shell casing and spent bullets were recovered at the scene.

Jennifer Bellah was interviewed and probable cause was developed to charge her with murder, aggravated assault and possession of a firearm during commission of a crime.

It is believed Jennifer Bellah was alone with the child at the residence when the incident occurred and committed the crime without assistance. The family of Jennifer Bellah has full cooperated with law enforcement. There is no present or continuing danger to the community.

On 08/29/2018 the body of Natalya Bellah was transported to the GBI Medical Examiner's Office for autopsy.

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