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## Pacific City man arrested on murder charges

*Police allege Erin Dean Rieman involved in disappearance of Albany fisherman*

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John Curtis Adkins (Courtesy photo)

PACIFIC CITY - An ongoing investigation involving police agencies from Oregon and Washington culminated Tuesday afternoon in the arrest of a Pacific City man in connection with the July disappearance of an Albany man last seen on the south Washington coast.

The suspect was arrested in Oregon and is pending extradition to Washington State for arraignment related to the murder of John Curtis Adkins, 53, whose body has not been found.

On Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 2:30 p.m. Oregon State Police detectives arrested Erin Dean Rieman, 47, at this Pacific City residence, according to Lt. Gregg Hastings, OSP.

Pacific County, Washington District Attorney's Office obtained a warrant for Rieman's arrest, charging Murder in the Second Degree and Theft in the First Degree, said Hastings.

Rieman was lodged in Tillamook County Jail, where he remained this afternoon on \$1 million bail.

On the Fourth of July weekend, Adkins left with two men on the 48-foot fishing vessel "Tiger" from Garibaldi to Ilwaco, Washington. He had not been heard from since he was last sighted on July 5 at a bar near the Port of Ilwaco.

Ilwaco, a fishing town of about 1,300 people at the mouth of the Columbia River, is 70 road miles north of Garibaldi and 16 miles from Astoria.

A family member contacted Long Beach, Wash. police to report him missing on July 7.

One of the men Adkins was with on the boat trip was Rieman, his business partner and co-owner of the fishing vessel. Following Adkins' disappearance, Rieman returned to the Garibaldi area with the fishing vessel.

Divers searched the waters off the Port of Ilwaco, to no avail, according to Long Beach Police.

The joint ongoing investigation involves the OSP Criminal Investigations Division, Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, Long Beach, Washington Police Department, and Pacific County District Attorney's Office.

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Erin Dean Rieman (Courtesy photo)