

# Letters & Comments

Dear Pro Repo Magazine,

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"A little over two years ago I received a call from a recovery service who had repossessed a Dodge Ram pickup with additional Ram parts in the back of the truck. One of these parts had a VIN number on it and in checking I discovered that these were parts off of a stolen truck that was still missing. I met with Mike Nichols of Double Eagle Collateral Service, examined the parts, and found them as he stated. With his assistance, a suspect was identified and arrested.

Since that time, I talk to Mike about every three weeks. Some of the people he runs into in his line of work also tend to cross my path at some time or another. Mike is familiar with the privacy laws that restrict me from giving him privileged information but I help him with what I can. Most of the time it is me calling him looking for information on locks and lock systems. Other times I bounce names off of him looking for information. He purchased a subscription to your publication about a year ago and I have found helpful information in many of the articles.

We both know that bad law enforcement officers and bad repossession exist out there and hope that in time that they either change them or just go away. Lord knows we both have enough headaches already.

I really admire your drive to professionalize and certify the repossession industry. I am also looking for more information on your

October 1998 article on auto theft, specifically where you received this reprint from Fifth Edition Criminal Investigation. Thank you for your time."

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- you are a lucky guy. Mike Nikoas of Double Eagle Collateral Services is the type of Recovery Agent that we at PRM would prefer to come in contact with law enforcement. Miek is not only a true professional but a stand up guy as well (as is evidenced by the fact that he would give such a marvelous gift as a subscription to this extraordinary magazine).

Cooperation and coordination with law enforcement is something that certainly does not get the air time that it warrants. Repossessors and law enforcement work together in areas that provide considerable benefit to both.

Thanks for taking the time to let us know you are out there. Thanks also to Mike and all of the people at Double Eagle for doing such a good job - ed