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NEWS RELEASE**Investigators seeking suspect in ATM skimming case**

Seminole Co. (March 8, 2018) - Investigators are seeking the public's help to identify a man suspected of placing a skimming device on multiple ATMs throughout Central and South Florida.

The investigation began on February 16, 2018, when the branch manager of a Longwood bank contacted the Seminole County Financial Crimes Task Force to report placement of the device. During the initial investigation, it was determined that the suspect placed the skimming device on the bank's ATM on February 6th at approximately 7:00 pm.

Investigators suspect this subject has targeted multiple ATMs, resulting in a significant financial loss for the institution.

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office encourages residents to take the following steps whenever using an ATM:

- Inspect the ATM card reader before using it. Look for loose, crooked, or damaged components and report anything that seems out of place immediately.
- When entering your PIN, shield the keypad with your other hand to protect the entry of your personal information from those who may be around you.
- Use an ATM located inside your bank whenever possible, as they provide less access for criminals to install skimming devices.

The Seminole Financial Crimes Task Force is a multi-agency task force working to investigate complex cases including internet fraud, computer crimes, counterfeit check groups, identity theft, and other advanced schemes to defraud and comprised of Seminole County Sheriff's deputies, and officers from Sanford Police Department, Altamonte Springs Police Department, Casselberry Police Department, Lake Mary Police Department, and the United States Postal Service.

Photos of the suspect are included with this release. Anyone with information on this crime or the identity of the suspect is asked to call the Seminole County Sheriff's Office Financial Crimes Task Force at 407-665-1426 or Crimeline at (800) 423-TIPS (8477).

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