INT. UTILITY ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Deke stands over a deep mop sink. The evidence bag is torn open. Doug's USED syringe lies on the counter. Of the three remaining full syringes, he has emptied one into the drain. Two are still in the bag.

NORA
Stop.

Deke grabs the bag. Nora closes the distance.

NORA (CONT'D)
Put them back.

DEKE
No.

NORA
That's evidence.

DEKE
Evidence that puts my name on a dead man. I've got partners, mortgages, people who work for me. You think this stays between us?

NORA
Did you?

DEKE
No.

NORA
Then quit acting like you did.

DEKE
You think that matters when the whole town already thinks I killed him?

Cal appears behind Nora. Deke looks from them to the front of the building. Another METAL CLANG outside.

DEKE (CONT'D)
Doug was alive when you got here.

NORA
I know.

DEKE
He asked for it. He took it himself.

NORA
I know.

DEKE
Everybody out there already lost something because of Doug.

Another CLANG.

DEKE (CONT'D)
Why add anybody else?

Nora holds out her hand.

NORA
Put them back.

DEKE
You turn this over, I'm the guy who sold mystery drugs to a dead man.

NORA
That's because you sold mystery drugs to a dead man.

Deke almost laughs. Doesn't.

DEKE
Let the ME call it whatever they call it. Everybody goes home.

NORA
Put them back.

No speech. That's the line. Deke looks at the two remaining syringes. Then at Nora.