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OWENSBORO METH DEALER SENTENCED TO NINE YEARS

– Had 12-gauge shotgun and \$8,600 worth of meth

OWENSBORO, KY - Carl Lynn Daugherty, age 54, of Owensboro, Ky., was sentenced July 18, 2007 to nine years imprisonment by the United States District Court, Owensboro, Kentucky, for possessing with the intent to distribute fifty grams or more of methamphetamine and for possession of a shotgun during a drug trafficking offense, David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today. Joseph H. McKinley Jr., Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced Daugherty to four years supervised release following incarceration. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

United States Attorney Huber praised the work of the Kentucky State Police for investigating Daugherty. He said, "State and federal cooperation does work."

On September 18, 2006, a search warrant was executed by the Kentucky State Police at Daugherty's residence in Owensboro. Found were approximately 86 grams of a mixture containing methamphetamine, a 12-gauge shotgun, and \$6,945 in cash. The street value of the drugs is \$8,600. Daugherty's interest in the \$6,945 was also forfeited to the United States.

This is a **Project Backfire** prosecution. **Project Backfire** is a partnership of state, local and federal law enforcement which targets violent offenders for prosecution to the fullest extent of state and federal law.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney James H. Barr. The Bowling Green Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Kentucky State Police, as part of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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