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LOUISVILLE MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DRUG CHARGES

LOUISVILLE, KY - Eddie G. Whitlow, age 52, of 5704 East Mann Road, Pekin, Indiana, pled guilty to conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, 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.

Whitlow pled guilty and admitted that between December 2003, and December 2005, in Livingston County, Jefferson County, Marshall County, McCracken County, and elsewhere, that he agreed and conspired with others to knowingly and intentionally possess with intent to distribute and to distribute methamphetamine. Whitlow admitted that he was personally responsible for the distribution of at least 50 grams of methamphetamine. The value of the methamphetamine is approximately \$5,000 on the street.

The maximum potential penalties for Whitlow are life imprisonment, a \$8,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least 10 years; and the minimum potential penalties are 10 years imprisonment, a \$4,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least 5 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Larry Fentress. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration, as part of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

The pleas were entered before Charles R. Simpson, III, Judge, United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky. Sentencing will be scheduled at a later date.

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