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PADUCAH, KENTUCKY “CRACK” DEALER SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR CONSPIRACY AND DISTRIBUTION OF CRACK COCAINE

*– Distributed crack cocaine with street value of \$5,100
– On state probation while dealing*

PADUCAH, KY- Anthony Quemar Daniels, age 24, of 3501 Lovelaceville Road, Paducah in McCracken County, was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment in United States District Court, Paducah, Kentucky for conspiracy and distribution of crack cocaine, 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. Thomas B. Russell, Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced Daniels to 5 years supervised release following incarceration. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

Daniels, who was on state probation, had plead guilty to conspiring to possess with the intent to distribute more than fifty grams of a mixture containing cocaine base, commonly known as crack cocaine and distributing crack cocaine in this case.

The investigation revealed that Daniels would obtain powder cocaine from a source of supply and then cook it into crack cocaine. Lab results show the total amount of crack cocaine purchased from Daniels was 51.5 net grams which had a street value of over \$5,100. Between January and November 8, 2006, ATF, utilizing an individual working as a confidential informant

(CI), conducted five controlled buys from Daniels in Paducah, Kentucky. Specifically, on January 4, 2006 Daniels sold 5.0 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant; on January 10, 2006 Daniels sold 11.8 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant; on January 12, 2006 Daniels sold 27.3 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant; on October 18, 2006, Daniels sold 5.1 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant; and on November 8, 2006, Daniels sold 2.3 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential informant.

On November 17, 2006, ATF executed a federal search warrant at Defendant Daniels' home. Defendant admitted at that time that after his state arrest for trafficking in 2004, he never quit selling crack cocaine.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michele Thielhorn. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Paducah Police Department, as part of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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