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ATF ANNOUNCES \$10,000 REWARD IN FIREARMS THEFT INVESTIGATION

LOS ANGELES – John A. Torres, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Los Angeles Field Division, today announced a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the firearms thefts last month at two Glendora, Calif., federal firearms licensees.

On Nov. 3, 2006, the Buckhorn Gun Store at 1750 S. Grand Avenue was burglarized and seven firearms were stolen. On Nov. 25, seven firearms were stolen from Gunslingers Gun Store at 757 E. Arrow Highway, Suite K. Both burglaries were committed by cutting through the roof and gaining access to the business.

On Nov. 29, the El Monte Police Department conducted a traffic stop for a violation on a vehicle. A firearm from the Gunslingers' burglary was recovered from inside the vehicle. Additional evidence was recovered indicating that the passenger in the vehicle, Steven Duquette, 29, of Covina, had been in possession of four other firearms stolen from Gunslingers. Duquette and the vehicle driver, Valerie Frias, 22, of Whittier, were arrested for possession of stolen property.

Glendora Police and ATF took custody of the suspects, both of whom are being held on \$20,000 bail at the Glendora Police Department and were to be arraigned at Citrus Superior Court in West Covina today.

Anyone with information about this crime is encouraged to call the anonymous, toll-free ATF crime gun hotline at 1-800-ATF-GUNS (1-800-283-4867), or the Glendora Police Department at (626) 914-8250.

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