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## **ATF OFFERS REWARD IN JEFFERSON COUNTY EXPLOSIVES THEFT**

Louisville, KY- JAMES L. BROWN, Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) announced that a \$10,000 reward is being offered for substantial information leading to the arrest, indictment, and conviction of the person or persons responsible for stealing approximately 600 pounds of explosives and a large number of commercial blasting caps from a construction site off St. Andrews Church Road in Southern Jefferson County.

Sometime between December 27, 1999 and January 11, 2000, person or persons unknown broke into an explosives magazine and a blasting cap magazine located on a construction site off of St. Andrews Road in Southern Jefferson County. Taken from the magazines were approximately 400 pounds of dynamite, 200 pounds of Austinite (a blasting agent), and approximately 963 electric blasting caps. The dynamite is described as being in an orange colored wrapper, approximately 2 inches in diameter by 16 inches in length. Each stick weighs approximately 2 1/2 pounds. The Austinite is in brown colored bags each weighing 50 pounds. The blasting caps are silver in color with two attached 16 foot red and yellow colored electric wires.

The Jefferson County Police Department and the ATF - Louisville Field Office, are investigating the theft.

SAC BROWN said, "Explosives theft is a serious crime. I urge anyone with information concerning this theft to call their nearest ATF or local Police department, or to call Crime Stoppers at 582-CLUE (582-2583). Callers can remain anonymous and all calls are confidential."

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