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Douglas G. Feist Sentenced for Pipe Bomb Incident

BISMARCK - United States Attorney Drew H. Wrigley announced that on June 12, 2008, **Douglas G. Feist**, 31, of Bismarck, North Dakota, was sentenced before United States District Court Senior Judge Patrick A. Conmy on a charge of possession of ammunition by a convicted felon and a charge of conspiracy to manufacture and possess a destructive device. **Feist** pleaded guilty to the charges on March 13, 2008.

Judge Conmy sentenced **Feist** to serve five years and ten months in federal prison, to be followed by two years of supervised release. **Feist** was ordered to pay restitution of \$1230 and to pay \$200 in special assessments to the Crime Victim's Fund.

Between June 24, 2007, and July 13, 2007, **Feist** possessed 50 rounds of Federal brand 12 gauge shotgun ammunition, which he had purchased for use in making a pipe bomb. **Feist** was prohibited from possessing ammunition by virtue of a prior conviction on March 16, 2006, in Burleigh County, North Dakota, District Court for possession of a bomb or explosive device. A co-defendant in

the Burleigh County case partially lost the use of an arm when one of the bombs detonated.

Between June and July 2007, **Feist** and another conspirator purchased products at various Bismarck retailers for use in manufacturing destructive devices, including commercial fireworks to extract the explosive mixture for use in a pipe bomb. The destructive device was manufactured on July 4, 2007, in a multi-unit apartment building in Bismarck and then detonated in Kidder County, North Dakota, causing damage to a pump house.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and Bismarck Police Department, with assistance from the Burleigh County State's Attorney's Office and Kidder County Sheriff's Office.

Assistant United States Attorney Scott Schneider prosecuted the case.

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