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INDIANAPOLIS MAN CHARGED IN MAIL FRAUD SCHEME

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that PHILIP MAIDEN, 31, Indianapolis, Indiana, was charged today with Mail Fraud, following an investigation by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

The information alleges that from July 2006 through October 2006, MAIDEN, who was employed at that time as a shipping manager with Q Edge Corporation, a computer assembly and shipping business in Plainfield, Indiana, diverted computers from Q Edge to himself and personal acquaintances by shipping computers to himself and others without Q Edge's knowledge or consent and without paying for them, for a total loss to Q Edge of approximately \$100,000.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney Winfield D. Ong, who is prosecuting the case for the government, MAIDEN faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 20 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled for before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The information is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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