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ATF OFFERS \$5,000 REWARD IN EAST TEXAS VEHICLE BOMBING

DALLAS -- The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) has announced a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and convictions of those involved in the June 15 bombing of a red Chevrolet pickup truck in Hawkins, Texas.

At approximately 7:30 a.m. last Friday, the victim noticed a loud boom when he started his vehicle and noticed some smoke coming from underneath the vehicle. After not observing anything else, the victim drove to his job at Creative Coatings in Kilgore, Texas. Once there, the remnants of a pipe bomb were discovered under the driver's side compartment of the vehicle.

Any person with information is requested to call 1-800-ATF-BOMB (283-2662) or the ATF Tyler Field Office at (903) 590-1475.

ATF is the federal law enforcement agency with jurisdiction for investigating bombings and other explosives incidents. More information on ATF and its programs is at <u>www.atf.gov</u>.

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