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## SECOND MUNCIE MAN SENTENCED TO 17 ½ YEARS FOR ROLE IN "DRUG RIP"

PRESS RELEASE

Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that REGINALD LIPSCOMB, 34, Muncie, Indiana, was sentenced to 211 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Chief Judge David F. Hamilton following his guilty plea to Conspiracy to Possess With Intent To Distribute Over 5 Kilograms of Cocaine and Carrying a Firearm During a Drug Trafficking Crime. This case was the result of a two month investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Muncie Police Department.

LIPSCOMB and another individual were members of a Muncie based robbery crew who conspired to commit armed robberies of drug dealers in November and December of 2006. LIPSCOMB and the other individual met with an undercover ATF special agent and planned details of an armed robbery of 20 kilograms of cocaine, which has an estimated street value of \$500,000.00, from a location in Muncie. Unbeknownst to LIPSCOMB and the other individual, this was a sting operation and there was no actual cocaine.

According to Assistant U. S. Attorney Barry D. Glickman, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Hamilton also imposed 5 years supervised release following LIPSCOMB's release from imprisonment.

LIPSCOMB's co-defendant, CHRISTOPHER LAMPKINS, received a sentence of 211 months imprisonment on February 28, 2008.

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