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## PRESS RELEASE

## WILMINGTON MAN SENTENCED FOR WIRE FRAUD

Colm F. Connolly, United States Attorney for the District of Delaware, announced today that George Setting, age 48, of Wilmington, was sentenced yesterday in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware to 15 months incarceration, plus restitution, on wire fraud charges.

According to statements made during hearings in the case and documents filed in court, from approximately the middle of 2000 through October 2005, Setting, who was employed as Regional Security Manager in New Castle County for a cable television services provider, engaged in a scheme where he would submit invoices and check requests to the company. These invoices were supposedly for expenses incurred in furtherance legitimate business, such as investigative expenses or security expenses, but which were, in fact, either entirely or partially fraudulent. Setting would then cash the checks and keep the excess funds for his personal use. Between 2000 and 2005, Setting stole in excess of \$63,000 from the company.

Following the sentencing, United States Attorney Connolly stated, "Defendant was responsible for ensuring that the citizens of Delaware were not stealing from the company, while he himself was using his position to steal from the same company. We are pleased with the outcome that recognizes the serious nature of and abuse of trust entailed in defendant's conduct. Defendant's sentence should serve as a reminder to others contemplating similar schemes that they can and will receive significant prison sentences for their crimes." United States Attorney Connolly also praised the work of the Delaware State Police in investigating the case.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Lesley F. Wolf.