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ATF OFFERS \$10,000 REWARD FOR INFORMATION IN SOLVING NEVADA COUNTY EXPLOSIVES THEFT

NEVADA CITY, Calif. – Acting Special Agent in Charge Michael P. Gleysteen of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), San Francisco Field Division, and Sheriff Keith Royal of the Nevada County Sheriff's Office today announced that ATF will post a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the theft of stolen explosives that occurred from an explosives bunker located in the Truckee area near Interstate 80, sometime between the dates of Sept. 6 - 15, 2008.

On Sept. 17, the Nevada County Sheriff's Office received a report from a licensed explosives blaster regarding explosives that had been stolen from an explosives bunker. The types of various stolen explosives are under investigation at this time. ATF subsequently joined the investigation and will work jointly with the Nevada County Sheriff's Office to locate the stolen explosives.

"Our first and foremost concern is public safety. We are seeking help from the public to locate these stolen explosives before they can be used to harm lives or property," said Gleysteen.

Anyone having information about the burglary and theft should immediately call 1-888-ATF-BOMBS, or the Nevada County Crime Tip Hotline at 1-530-470-2400.

ATF is the federal agency with jurisdiction for investigating federal firearms and explosives violations. More information on ATF and its programs can be found at www.atf.gov.