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DARLINGTON ARREST RESULTS IN FELONY GUN CONVICTION

Columbia, South Carolina ---- United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd stated that Chad Tyrone Dubose, age 33, of Florence, South Carolina, pled guilty in federal court to being a felon in possession of a firearm. United States District Judge Terry L. Wooten accepted the plea and will impose sentence at a later date.

In October 2005, Darlington police found Dubose parked in a business parking lot after the business had closed. When officers questioned Dubose, they noticed a pistol case sticking out from underneath the driver's seat. Police seized the loaded Hi-Point .390 caliber pistol.

Dubose has been previously convicted of assault and is prohibited by

federal law from possessing a firearm. Mr. Lloyd stated the maximum penalty Dubose can receive is ten years imprisonment.

The case was investigated by the Darlington Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and Assistant United States Attorney Rose Mary Parham of the Florence office is prosecuting the case as part of Project CeaseFire, which seeks to prosecute individuals who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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