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Man Guilty on Firearm Charge after Greenwood Chase

COLUMBIA, South Carolina ----United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd stated today that Travis Dewayne Moore, age 35, of Greenwood, South Carolina, pled guilty today in federal court to being a felon in possession of a stolen firearm. United States District Judge Henry M. Herlong, Jr., accepted the plea and will sentence Moore at a later date.

In December 2006, Greenwood deputies responded to a disturbance at a residence, and saw Moore driving off. When deputies tried to stop him, Moore sped away. He fired his handgun at pursuing deputies and highway patrolmen, then rammed his truck into a police car before crashing to a stop. Deputies recovered a stolen Smith & Wesson .38 caliber revolver and spent shell casings

from the truck. The entire chase was captured on a deputy's in-car camera.

Moore was on state probation and parole at the time of the incident following multiple convictions for burglary and grand larceny.

Moore faces a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 15 years and a maximum term of life in prison, plus a fine of \$250,000.

The case was investigated by agents of the Greenwood County Sheriff's Office, the South Carolina Highway Patrol and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Assistant United States Attorney Lance Crick of the Greenville office handled the case. This prosecution was a part of Operation CeaseFire, a joint local, state, and federal initiative which seeks to aggressively prosecute individuals who unlawfully use, possess, or transfer firearms.

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