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## **PADUCAH MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ARMED ROBBERIES**

*-Convicted felon committed robberies on successive days using a firearm*

PADUCAH, KY - Darryl L. McGuire, age 29, of 3007 Virginia Street, Paducah, Kentucky, in McCracken County, pled guilty to the robberies of two food establishments and the possession of a firearm while he was a convicted felon, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today.

McGuire admitted that on September 25, 2007, about 9:30 p.m., he robbed a SteakOut food establishment in McCracken County, Kentucky and used a .38 caliber revolver in demanding money from employees. McGuire also admitted that on September 26, 2007, about 8:45 p.m., he robbed a Quizno's food establishment in McCracken County in the same manner. McGuire further stated that he had been convicted of receiving stolen property in 2002, and first degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon in 2003, all of which were felonies. When he used the firearm in the robberies of the food establishments, he admitted that he had knowingly possessed the .38 caliber revolver while he was a convicted felon. The total amount of money McGuire took from both robberies was approximately \$1,100.

The maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, a \$1,250,000 fine, and

supervised release for a period of 5 years; and a minimum penalty of 7 years imprisonment, which will run consecutive to any other sentence of imprisonment on other counts of the Indictment.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Sparks. The Bowling Green Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Paducah Police Department, as part of the ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

This is a **Project Backfire** prosecution. **Project Backfire** is a partnership of state, local and federal law enforcement which targets violent offenders for prosecution to the fullest extent of state and federal law.

The plea was entered before Hon. Thomas B. Russell, Judge, United States District Court, Paducah, Kentucky.

McGuire is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Russell on July 9, 2008 at 12:00 p.m., in Paducah, Kentucky.

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