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Lexington, Ky. — Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Karl Stankovic, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Louisville Field Division, jointly announce that a Federal Grand Jury in Lexington returned an Indictment today charging **KENNETH WAYNE COLE**, age 40, of Lexington, Kentucky, with violations of federal firearms laws.

The Indictment alleges that on December 7, 2004, **COLE** was found to be in possession of approximately nineteen firearms, including a machine gun, sawed-off shotgun, and four destructive devices. **COLE** is a substance abuse user, and therefore prohibited from possessing firearms. The Indictment also seeks forfeiture of the firearms.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties on each count are 10 years imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000, and supervised release for a period of 3 years.

The investigation preceding the Indictment was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in Lexington. The Indictment was presented to the Grand Jury by Assistant United States Attorney David A. Marye.

COLE will appear before the United States District Court on a date and time to be set by the Court in Lexington, Kentucky.

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**The indictment of a person by a grand jury is an accusation only
and that person is presumed innocent unless proven guilty.**

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