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DEFENDANT SENTENCED ON CARJACKING, FIREARM CHARGES

MOBILE, AL—A federal judge in Mobile sentenced a Mobile man to just over 18 years in prison after the defendant had earlier pleaded guilty to a charge of carjacking and a charge of use of a firearm during the commission of a crime of violence, Acting United States Attorney Eugene A. Seidel of the Southern District of Alabama announced today. Absalom DeCarlos Lucky, 24, pleaded guilty to the charges in December 2008, and faced a statutory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison on the firearm charge. The charges arose when Lucky accosted a female victim at a convenience store on Dauphin Island Parkway on May 18, 2008, shot the woman in the chest, then drove off in the victim's truck. A 911 call alerted a nearby police officer, who gave chase on the north end of Dauphin Island Parkway. The chase ended when Lucky lost control of, and wrecked the victim's truck near Bishop State. In handing down the prison sentence, District Judge Kristi Dubose made note of the severe injuries suffered by the victim.

The charges resulted from investigations conducted by the Mobile Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Cherry.

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