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**NEWS RELEASE**  
***OGDEN CARJACKER SENTENCED  
TO 214 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON***

SALT LAKE CITY – Paul Ryan Hall, age 25, of Ogden, who participated in two Ogden area carjackings on the same day in November 2008, will spend 214 months in federal prison.

U.S. District Judge Clark Waddoups imposed the sentence in federal court Wednesday. Judge Waddoups also ordered Hall to serve 60 months of supervised release when he finishes his prison sentence. He also must pay \$500 in restitution and forfeit the firearm.

The carjackings occurred Nov. 14, 2008. The first carjacking occurred about 5 a.m. An Ogden resident, getting ready to leave home for work, started his car before getting out of the vehicle to open a gate. In a plea agreement reached with federal prosecutors, Hall said an individual pointed a handgun at the car owner and demanded his car and wallet. When the victim did not comply as quickly as the perpetrator wanted, Hall said the perpetrator struck him in the face with the gun. The perpetrator then took the car and drove away. A police officer saw the car and attempted to follow the vehicle, however, the driver fled from police. The stolen car was later found abandoned. Hall admitted he participated in the carjacking. (A copy of the

plea agreement is attached. Hall admits participating in this carjacking but as you will see in the factual basis for his plea agreement, he admits that the “perpetrator struck him in the face with the gun” and that “this person then took the car and drove away.” It really doesn’t make a difference. Anyone who aids or participates in the commission of a federal crime is subject to punishment as a principal.)

The second incident occurred about 11 p.m. in South Ogden. Hall admitted that he pointed a handgun at the victim who was sitting in his parked car. After demanding his wallet, phone, and keys, Hall ordered him out of the car. Hall drove away in the car. Police pursued Hall who fled at high speeds and ultimately crashed the vehicle.

“Mr. Hall’s criminal conduct put the victims of the carjackings, those driving on Ogden streets while he was attempting to evade arrest, and law enforcement officers at risk. A sentence of 214 months, without the possibility of parole, is an appropriate outcome in this case,” U.S. Attorney Carlie Christensen said.

Hall admitted that his he knew his actions in both carjacking incidents could have caused death or serious bodily injury. His sentence includes 130 months for the two carjackings and 84 months for brandishing a firearm during the commission of a violent crime.

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