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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Robert L. Gipson, 39, Chicago, was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 78 months in prison without parole for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine. Gipson pleaded guilty to this charge on August 12, 2008.

On February 21, 2008, Gipson's vehicle was stopped pursuant to an outstanding warrant. A search incident to Gipson's arrest by police officers uncovered 108 individually packaged pieces of crack cocaine in his pants pocket. Judge Crabb stated that Gipson's lengthy sentence was the result of his history of drug convictions and continued criminal conduct.

The charges against Gipson were the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department and Drug Enforcement Administration. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

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