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MEREDITH MAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL TAX CHARGE

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CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire Tom Colantuono and Internal Revenue Service Special Agent in Charge of the Boston Field Office Joseph A. Galasso, announced today that Edward Shaughnessy, age 49 of Meredith, New Hampshire, was sentenced in United States District Court to serve one year on probation.

The defendant pleaded guilty on February 25, 2004, to a misdemeanor information charging him with Failure to File Federal Income Tax Returns. It was determined that Mr. Shaughnessy failed to pay approximately \$57,000 in federal income taxes over a 4 year period.

In commenting on the sentence, United States Attorney Tom Colantuono stated: "It is every citizen's civic duty to pay their taxes. Failing to do so can result in a federal criminal prosecution as in this case."

The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Clyde R. W. Garrigan.