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WEEK IN REVIEW – SOUTH BEND

South Bend, Indiana -- The United States Attorney's Office announced today that:

PLEAS:

- Jason Buzzard, 33, of Plymouth, Indiana, pled guilty before to the felony offense of manufacture of methamphetamine in the case *US v Beard et al.* Sentencing has been set for 5/24/12. These charges were filed as the result of an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Schaffer.
- Franklin Hibshman, Jr., 23, Elkhart, Indiana, pled guilty before Magistrate Judge Christopher Nuechterlein to the felony offense of failure to appear. Hibshman had been convicted of a firearm defense and did not appear to surrender to serve his sentence. Sentencing has been set for 5/25/12. These charges were filed as the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and the United States Marshal's Service. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Schaffer.
- Justin Moore, 20, of Peru, Indiana, pled guilty before Magistrate Judge Christopher Nuechterlein to the felony offense of being a felon in possession of a firearm. Sentencing has been set for 6/17/12. These charges were filed as the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Donald Schmid.

The specific sentence in each case to be imposed upon conviction will be determined by the judge after a consideration of federal sentencing statutes and the Federal Sentencing Guidelines.

DISPOSITIONS:

- James A. Dibble, 34, of Elkhart, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Robert Miller, Jr. to 6 months imprisonment and 1 year of supervised release after pleading guilty to the felony offense of transfer of a machine gun. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Maciejczyk.

- Mario Torres, 41, of Bremen, Indiana, was sentenced by Judge Jon DeGuilio to 15 months imprisonment and 2 years of supervised release after pleading guilty to the felony offense of misuse of a social security number. This case was the result of an investigation by the Indiana State Police. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Maciejczyk.