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RALEIGH COUNTY MAN SENTENCED TO TWELVE YEARS IN PRISON

BECKLEY, W. Va. – Norvel Woodson, 52, of Beckley, West Virginia, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Irene C. Berger to 151 months in prison for distribution of cocaine. Woodson previously pleaded guilty in March 2010, admitting he sold powder cocaine to a confidential informant. On March 14, 2008, an informant working with the Beckley Bureau of Drug Investigations purchased a quantity of cocaine from Woodson in exchange for \$100. The drug deal took place at the confidential informant's Beckley residence.

Woodson received an enhanced sentence because of previous Federal drug convictions in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia.

The Beckley Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration jointly conducted the investigation. Assistant United States Attorney John Frail handled the prosecution.

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