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Cincinnati Man Sentenced to 188 Months for Distributing Methamphetamine in Covington

COVINGTON, Ky. — Kevin A. Howard, 35, of Cincinnati, was sentenced on Thursday, to 188 months in federal prison, by United States District Judge Danny C. Reeves, for distribution of 50 grams or more of crystal methamphetamine.

Howard previously admitted pursuant to a guilty plea that, on January 16, 2019 and January 22, 2019, he distributed 50 grams or more of crystal methamphetamine to an individual in Covington, for \$1,400. Unbeknownst to Howard, this individual was working as undercover law enforcement with the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force. After the two undercover purchases, law enforcement obtained a search warrant for Howard's residence in Cincinnati, where an additional 444 grams of crystal methamphetamine was seized, along with two firearms.

Under federal law, Howard must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence; and upon his release, he will be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office for a term of five years.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Timothy J. Plancon, Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration, Christopher P. Conners, Director, Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force, jointly made the announcement.

The investigation was conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorney Wade T. Napier.