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## **Davenport Man Sentenced to 15 ½ Years for Heroin Trafficking**

DAVENPORT, IA – On January 22, 2015, Demario Dante Palmer, age 36, of Davenport, Iowa, was sentenced by United States District Judge Stephanie M. Rose to 186 months in prison for conspiracy to distribute heroin, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Palmer was also ordered to serve five years of supervised release following the imprisonment and to pay \$100 to the Crime Victims Fund.

Palmer distributed heroin to various customers in the Davenport area beginning by at least 2008 and continuing until June 30, 2014. Palmer obtained portions of the heroin he distributed from sources in the Chicago area. Palmer utilized other persons during this time period to assist him in obtaining heroin from Chicago, including recruiting others to drive him (or other persons acting on his behalf) to Chicago for the purpose of bringing heroin to Davenport to further distribute. Palmer also utilized other persons to assist him with distributing heroin to his customers. On June 30, 2014, pursuant to a warrant, police searched Palmer's residence in Davenport. Police located approximately 7.5 grams of heroin in 20 individually packaged baggies, packaging material, a digital scale, and a firearm, all of which belonged to Palmer. The quantity of heroin distributed by Palmer exceeded 1 kilogram.

This case was investigated by the Davenport, Iowa, Police Department and the Iowa Department of Narcotics Enforcement. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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