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**CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER PLEADS GUILTY  
TO RECEIVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

**LAFAYETTE, La.:** United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley announced today that Allen Forest Bobbett, age 59, of Baton Rouge, pled guilty this week in federal court in Lafayette, to attempting to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity. U.S. District Judge Richard T. Haik accepted the guilty plea.

According to court documents filed, Bobbett participated in an online chat on January 4, 2011 with an undercover officer he believed to be a 14-year-old female from Lafayette and identified himself to the girl as a 58-year-old male from Baton Rouge, La. As the chats continued, Bobbett used a webcam to expose himself while masturbating. On January 5, 2011, Bobbett developed a plan for the two to meet for sex. He then drove from Baton Rouge to Lafayette, and upon his arrival at the agreed meeting place, was arrested by law enforcement. The defendant admitted that he knew the girl was underage and that he was wrong and would get in trouble for communicating with a juvenile.

At sentencing, Bobbett faces a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of not less than ten years nor more than life. Sentencing in this matter will be set at a later date.

The case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and Louisiana State Police. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Myers P. Namie.

ICE encourages the public to report suspected child predators and any suspicious activity through its toll-free hotline at 1-866-DHS-2ICE. This hotline is staffed around the clock by investigators.

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