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**IDAHO MAN INDICTED ON CHARGE HE FAILED TO REGISTER
AS A SEX OFFENDER**

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury has returned a one-count indictment charging NEDDE MAX MURPHY, 41, formerly of Burley, Idaho, of failing to register in California as a sex offender.

This case is the product of an investigation by the Sacramento office of the United States Marshals Service.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Laurel D. White, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that sometime in the past year, MURPHY, having traveled in interstate commerce, did knowingly fail to register as a sex offender in Yuba County, Calif. as he is required to do under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act. Under the Act, a person who is required to register as a sex offender, must do so within 72 hours of each change of name, residence, employment, or student status.

The maximum statutory penalty for failing to register as a sex offender is 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, a \$100 statutory assessment, and a possible life-term of supervised release. The actual sentence, however, will be dictated by the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of factors, and will be imposed at the discretion of the court.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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