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**MADISON MAN SENTENCED TO 27 MONTHS
FOR DISTRIBUTING COCAINE**

Madison, Wis. - Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Ricky Phillips, 53, Madison, was sentenced on Friday, May 14, by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 27 months for distributing cocaine. Phillips pleaded guilty to this charge on March 2, 2010.

Phillips was arrested in April 15, 2009, after officers utilized an informant to buy cocaine from him on several prior occasions at his business, Rick's Auto Service, located on the east side of Madison. Officers also executed a search warrant at Phillips' business and seized approximately nine ounces of cocaine.

The charges against Phillips were the result of an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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