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U.S. ATTORNEY TO JOIN DEA AND OTHERS IN FIRST-EVER NATIONWIDE PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY

Over 3,400 Sites Join in Nationwide Campaign on September 25

CHARLESTON, W. Va. – United States Attorney R. Booth Goodwin II will hold a press conference on **THURSDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 23**, at **11:00 A.M.** with Resident Agent in Charge Dennis Bolum of the Drug Enforcement Administration, and other law enforcement partners to announce West Virginia's participation in a nationwide prescription drug "Take-Back" initiative that seeks to prevent increased pill abuse and theft.

DEA and other partners will be collecting potentially dangerous, expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction at sites throughout the nation and state on Saturday, September 25, 2010, from 10 A.M – 2 P.M local time. For a list of local collection locations, visit www.dea.gov.

WHO:

Booth Goodwin, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of West Virginia; Dennis Bolum, Resident Agent in Charge, DEA; Sheriff Mike Rutherford, Kanawha County Sheriff's Department; Chief Brent Webster, Charleston Police Department; Chief Skip Holbrook, Huntington Police Department; Sheriff Rodney Miller, Boone County Sheriff's Department; Sheriff Mike Bright, Jackson County Sheriff's Department; Sheriff Jeff Sandy, Wood County Sheriff's Department; Chief Bud Lett, Kenova Police Department; Sheriff Eddie Hunter, Logan County Sheriff's Department; and Colonel Tim Pack, West Virginia State Police

WHAT: PRESS CONFERENCE

WHERE: U. S. Attorney's Office

Robert C. Byrd United States Courthouse

300 Virginia Street, East

4th Floor

Charleston WV

WHEN: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2010 at 11:00 A.M.

Note: All media must present government-issued photo I.D. (such as a driver's license) and valid media credentials. Media may begin arriving at 10:30 a.m. Press inquiries regarding logistics should be directed to Deanna Eder at 800-659-8726 or 304-345-2200.