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**Woodland Man - Repeatedly Released on Zero Bail – Convicted of Drug Trafficking**

(Woodland, CA) – September 29, 2021 – On September 23, 2021, a Yolo County jury convicted Jeremy Lee Deaton, 45, of Woodland, CA of multiple counts of transportation for sale and possession for sale of methamphetamine and heroin. Based on his prior convictions and the amounts of narcotics possessed, Mr. Deaton is facing a mandatory prison sentence.

Between July 31, 2020, and June 15, 2021, Mr. Deaton was stopped six times by Woodland Police Department officers. On each occasion, Mr. Deaton was searched and found with large quantities of methamphetamine as well as other controlled substances. The amounts ranged from ½ an ounce to over 11 ounces of methamphetamine and as much as ¾ ounce of heroin. At the conclusion of every stop, Mr. Deaton was placed under arrest and booked into the Yolo County Jail. On each occasion, Mr. Deaton was released from jail as part of the \$0 bail program put in place as the result of the pandemic.

After being released from custody, Mr. Deaton would almost immediately resume his illegal activities. Between December 31, 2020, and February 16, 2021, Mr. Deaton was arrested four times, having resumed his drug selling behavior in the exact same manner as he had prior to his arrests.

“The numerous cases involving Mr. Deaton show the problem with the \$0 bail program that was put in place. By allowing people like Mr. Deaton to be continually released from custody with no incentive to change their behavior, this one size fits all program contributed to Mr. Deaton’s

ongoing criminal behavior” according to Michael Vroman, the prosecutor assigned to Mr. Deaton’s cases.

Mr. Deaton is currently facing a maximum sentence of over 23 years in prison and is set to be sentenced on November 23, 2021.

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