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**INVESTMENT FRAUD ALLEGED AGAINST PROMOTER OF  
HIGH-TECH TRACKING DEVICE**

Boise, Idaho . . . The Idaho Department of Finance has filed a civil complaint against Gerald R. Thompson of Boise, dba Sky Detective, alleging violations of the registration and anti-fraud provisions of the Idaho Uniform Securities Act.

Investor losses are estimated to be in excess of \$3.6 million.

The complaint alleges that Mr. Thompson, a former Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputy, was the founder and promoter of Sky Detective, Inc. originally an Idaho corporation. Mr. Thompson created Sky Detective for the purpose of developing and marketing a tracking and surveillance device that could be attached to vehicles or shipping containers, and a similar device to be worn as an ankle bracelet for law enforcement purposes. The devices were supposed to use global positioning and cell-phone tower triangulation technology to establish their location, and to communicate that location via a cellular telephone signal. More specifically, the complaint alleges that:

- a) Sky Detective did not actually have a tracking device that would perform as represented,
- b) Mr. Thompson induced investors to buy stock in Sky Detective, Inc. based on fraudulent representations that investors could make returns of up to 500 percent in an investment that was low risk,
- c) that Mr. Thompson misrepresented to some investors that the company had a functioning tracking device known as "gang tracker," while to others he misrepresented that patent applications had already been filed when no such applications existed, and
- d) Mr. Thompson represented that Sky Detective, Inc. would go public within a year when in fact it did not.

The department seeks a court order finding that Mr. Thompson violated state securities laws and asks that he be required to make restitution to investors for their losses. In addition, the department requests that Mr. Thompson be fined \$40,000 and be enjoined from selling or offering for sale securities in any form in the state of Idaho.

Investors are reminded to contact the Department of Finance to check whether promoters and their investment offerings are properly qualified in Idaho. The complaint filed in this matter can be found on the Internet at <http://finance.idaho.gov/civilactions> or may be obtained by contacting the department at (208) 332-8004 or Idaho toll-free at 1-888-346-3378.

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