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Media Release

Former Pharmacy Technician Sentenced to Six Years in Prison

Pomeroy, Ohio (Meigs County) - On October 28, 2013, Ohio State Board of Pharmacy Executive Director Kyle Parker, announced that Stacy A. Hawk, 34, a former pharmacy technician, has entered into a plea agreement with the Meigs County Prosecutor's Office for one felony count of theft of drugs, and two felony counts of possession of drugs.

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy began their investigation in November 2012, immediately after receiving information from the Pomeroy Police Department that Fruth Pharmacy, 706 West Main Street, Pomeroy, Ohio, was experiencing significant losses of various strengths of hydrocodone tablets.

On November 29, 2012, Hawk admitted to agents of the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy that she stole the hydrocodone tablets from Fruth Pharmacy, and subsequently arrested by the Pomeroy Police Department after prescription drugs were found inside her vehicle. Following Hawk's arrest, a search warrant conducted at her residence yielded the recovery of prescription drugs, weapons, and drug paraphernalia.

On October 21, 2013, the Meigs County Common Pleas Court sentenced Hawk to three years in prison on each of the 2 counts of possession of drugs, and five years community control on the single count of theft of drugs.

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy would like to thank Meigs County Prosecutor Colleen S. Williams, Meigs County Sheriff Keith O. Wood, Pomeroy Police Chief Mark E. Proffitt and Middleport Police Chief Bruce D. Swift for their support with this investigation.