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**Five-Count Indictment Returned in a Tennessee Valley Authority Office of the Inspector General Case Prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Alabama**

The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Alabama announced that on Thursday, October 3, 2013 a federal grand jury in the Northern District of Alabama returned a five-count indictment against Frank Lewis Conn for violating Title 18 United States Code 1343, Wire Fraud. It is alleged that Mr. Conn devised a scheme to defraud the Tennessee Valley Authority of \$152,712 through the use of fraudulently inflated invoices during the period of February through October 2009. This scheme took place during a time when Mr. Conn was an owner of Conn Equipment Rental Company. The investigation is being conducted by the TVA Office of the Inspector General.

The public is reminded that an indictment contains only charges and it will be the government's responsibility to prove the defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt at trial.