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AURORA MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR HEROIN SALES

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An Aurora man is headed to prison for selling heroin on multiple occasions.

Michael E. James, 30 (d.o.b. 5-2-1984), last address of the 1500 block of Michael Lane, Aurora, was sentenced Wednesday, March 25, 2015, by Circuit Judge Susan Clancy Boles, to 10½ years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

James was convicted Feb. 10, 2015, by a Kane County jury, of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance, a Class 1 felony.

Prosecutors presented evidence that four times in July 2013 James sold heroin that totaled approximately four grams in weight.

According to Illinois law, James is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. He was given credit for at least 610 days served in the Kane County jail, where he has been held since his arrest in lieu of \$100,000 bail. Bond was revoked upon conviction.

"Heroin overdoses continue at alarming numbers in the Chicago area and across the nation. These prison sentences for heroin dealers are an important part of the process to get heroin out of our communities," Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said. "This case is an example of the good work that can come from law enforcement agencies across the region working together.

"Thanks for the good work from the Kendall County Cooperative Police Assistance Team, which investigated this case, and to Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Bridget Sabbia and Scott Schwertley, who prosecuted this case."