

Monday afternoon, just before 2:00pm, the Kentucky State Police Electronic Crime Branch assisted the FBI and the Attorney General's Office in the execution of a search warrant related to child sexual exploitation in Nicholasville, Ky. As a result of the search, KSP charged Jeffery Treadway, 35, with 20 counts of POSSESSION OF MATTER PORTRAYING A SEX PERFORMANCE BY A MINOR. The arrest was the result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation that began in Colorado. An FBI agent in Colorado had taken over an account belonging to another individual who

was

arrested on charges related to child sexual exploitation. The agent utilized the account to make

contact

with others who were possibly interested in the sexual exploitation of children. The agent's

investigation

led back to Treadway's residence on Orchard Drive in Nicholasville.

The investigation resulted in the execution of the search warrant at Treadway's residence, where electronic equipment was seized and is pending a full forensic examination. The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected.