

Former Manager Pleads Guilty to Defrauding Trucking Company Out of More Than \$600,000

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EAST ST. LOUIS – Tuesday morning in U.S. District Court in East St. Louis, Timothy P. Mayer, 41, of Waterloo, Illinois, appeared in federal court in East St. Louis and entered a guilty plea to defrauding his former employer, Jung Truck Service (“Jung Truck”) of Mascoutah, Illinois, out of more than \$600,000.

In addition to operating its own trucks and warehouse facilities, Jung Truck also provides maintenance services for other trucking companies. Mayer was the manager of Jung Truck’s East St. Louis location.

The U.S. District Court released information that said beginning in July 2019, Mayer started charging expensive tires to Jung Truck's accounts at a local tire supplier. Mayer then sold the tires on the side and pocketed the cash. The value of the tires that Mayer fraudulently charged to Jung Truck exceeded \$590,000.

"Mayer also stole tires and brakes from Jung Truck's inventory and sold those items on the side," the court said. "Mayer's scheme lasted until he was caught in May 2020. Mayer will be sentenced at 1:30 p.m. on August 11, 2021. The mail fraud charge to which Mayer pled guilty carries a maximum sentence of up to 20 years in prison, a fine of up to \$250,000, and a period of supervised release of up to 3 years.

Mayer will also be ordered to pay full restitution to Jung Truck. The case was investigated by agents from FBI-Springfield.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Scott A. Verseman.