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Endwell Man Faces Five Felony Charges After Being Caught by BCSO and YouTuber Attempting to Have Sex with a 13-year-old Female

(ENDICOTT, NY) An Endwell man is facing multiple felonies following a child predator investigation involving a YouTube content creator posing as a juvenile.

On Monday, November 17, 2025, the Broome County Sheriff's Office Detective Division was contacted by a YouTuber JiDion of the "EDP Watch" video series, which posts videos catching child predators who have been interacting with a decoy posing as a juvenile.

Detectives were advised that Denis A. Dean, age 54 of Endwell, NY had been speaking with a decoy posing as a 13-year-old female since November 12, 2025. Over that 5-day period, Dean had sent multiple inappropriate images of himself to the decoy and arranged to meet in-person on November 17th to have sex with someone he believed to be a 13-year-old female girl.

On the afternoon of the 17th, Dean was confronted by members of EDP Watch at a predetermined meeting spot in the Village of Endicott where Dean had arranged to meet the juvenile.

Members of the Broome County Sheriff's Office Strategic Response Group and Endicott Police Department responded to the location and took Dean into custody. In subsequent interviews, Dean confirmed to investigators that he had sent inappropriate sexual pictures to and planned on having sex with a 13-year-old female.

Following the investigation, Dean was charged with Attempted Rape in the 2nd Degree, a Class E Felony and four (4) counts of Attempted Disseminating Indecent Material to Minors in the 1st Degree, Class E Felonies. Dean was arraigned and remanded to the Broome County Correctional Facility without bail.

"Our investigation showed that this individual clearly had dangerous criminal intentions, and our community's children are safer with him off the streets," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "Outstanding work by our investigators for doing their due diligence after being contacted by JiDion and the EDP Watch Team and bringing forth the appropriate charges based on the evidence. Our BCSO Team is proud to partner with community members, members of the newsmedia and online content creators alike if it means making Broome County safer for our children."

The Broome County Sheriff's Office was also assisted by the Endicott Police Department.

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