DISCOVERY CHANNEL'S HIT SERIES MOONSHINERS RETURNS FOR A THIRD SEASON ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER <u>5 AT 9PM</u>

-Porter Ridge Returns Tuesday, November 5 at 10 PM-

Discovery Channel is going back woods Tuesday nights, visiting two unique and fascinating groups of people, with very different occupations. On "the ridge" they may not have backwood stills and bootleggers, but the folks of **PORTER RIDGE** have one thing in common with the **MOONSHINERS** - the importance of American family traditions.

Season three of **MOONSHINERS** premieres on <u>Tuesday, November 5, at</u> <u>9PM/ET</u> followed by **PORTER RIDGE** at <u>10 PM ET/PT</u>.

Moonshining, a multi-million dollar industry based on a practice that precedes the founding fathers, brings shiners from all across Appalachia, and as far south as Mississippi, who are working with the elements to create the stuff of legends. **MOONSHINERS** shares the stories of the men and women who keep tradition alive, and make a fortune in the process, distilling illegal whiskey in the back woods of their respective territories. The series also follows the law enforcement tasked with capturing shiners in the act of making moonshine. While moonshine can bring a pretty price, it's all crafted outside the bounds of federal and state laws. The cat and mouse game between moonshiners and law enforcement becomes a high stakes exercise of constant pursuit, near captures and repeated escapes. Moonshiners must constantly adapt to the changing methods of law enforcement and apply new and covert methods of distillation and distribution to increase profits while staying one step ahead of the law.

This season, veteran shiner, Tim Smith, has a startling announcement that will forever change the face of moonshining in the region. Tim's new venture means Tickle is on his own and he'll need a crash course in still building to prove it's his time to shine. Traditionalists Jeff and Mark go modern in an attempt to dominate and expand their territory, while rookie moonshiners Josh and Bill return with knowledge gained and a serious chip on their shoulders. Veteran and larger than life moonshiner Jim Tom also return as an influx of new shiners creates a wave of competition the likes of which has never been seen before. But, shiners are found throughout the country, and this season we'll have our first taste of Mississippi Moonshines, made in the swamps by Mike, Shot and Darlene.

Tucked away in the rolling hills of Indiana, far from big city life, the crew of **PORTER RIDGE** continues to live by its own set of rules and returns with more of their crazy shenanigans <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 5 at 10 PM ET/PT on</u> <u>Discovery</u>. Picking up right where this "Hillijack" crew left off, junk yard owner Terry is up to another one of his schemes and this time has the chance to buy his dream car, a legendary '72 Cutlass. In an attempt to get some quick cash he gets a car crusher to the Junkyard – but on the condition he can provide fifty cars to crush. When Terry comes up short on junk cars to crush, he has to resort to drastic measures. Meanwhile, Jeff defends his bear, Bob's, fishing skills to Barry and Elvis Larry who think he's getting too domesticated so they embark on a fishing trip to put Bob's hunting skills to the test. It's just another day on The Ridge - where a guy can have a yard full of pet grizzly bears, use dynamite recreationally and hold family demolition derbies - and that's exactly what they do.

MOONSHINERS is produced for Discovery Channel by Magilla Entertainment, where Matthew Ostrom, Laura Johnson, Brian Flanagan and Chris Tetens are executive producers. Joseph Schneier is executive producer for Discovery Channel with Lisbeth Lozano as coordinating producer.

PORTER RIDGE is produced for Discovery Channel by Gurney Productions. Executive Producers are Scott Gurney and Deirdre Gurney. Co-Executive Producers are Todd Hurvitz, Doug Weitzbuch and Brandon Killion. For Discovery Channel, Executive Producer is Joe Weinstock.

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