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GILA BEND WOMAN SENTENCED TO OVER 8 YEARS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF METHAMPHETAMINE

TUCSON, Ariz. – Angie Singleterry, 46, of Gila Bend, Ariz., was sentenced here today to 97 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Cindy K. Jorgenson. Singleterry was found guilty by a federal jury on February 6, 2008 of one count of Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine and four counts of Possession with Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine. The sentence will be followed by five concurrent five-year terms of supervised release.

Singleterry's conviction followed a federal investigation which targeted the distribution of methamphetamine on the Tohono O'odham Indian Nation and elsewhere in the District of Arizona. The investigation revealed that Angie Singleterry conspired with her co-defendants to distribute the methamphetamine in multiple hand-to-hand transactions. Children were often present in the vicinity of the transactions, and on multiple occasions Singleterry brought a child with her when she arrived to complete the transaction. The purity of the methamphetamine seized in the investigation was as high as 99%, with over 380 grams of pure methamphetamine seized.

Angie Singleterry is the last co-defendant to be sentenced in connection with this investigation. Co-defendant Carmen Acosta previously pleaded guilty to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Acosta is currently serving a sentence of five years in federal prison, to be followed by a five year term of supervised release. Co-defendant Arlene Martinez also entered a guilty plea to the same charge and was sentenced to serve 17 ½ years in federal prison, to be followed by five years of supervised release.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Tohono O'odham Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Bradley W. Giles, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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