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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: January 16, 2008
Re: Larry Perez
Possession of Methamphetamine and
Violation of Probation
Nets 3 Years and 8 Months in
State prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Larry Perez, age 42, of Modesto, was convicted of Possession of Methamphetamine. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey M. Laugero prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

On September 17, 2008, Deputy Probation Officer Oscar Alvarez conducted a home visit and probation search of probationer/defendant Perez as Perez had been failing to report as ordered. A search of Perez found a baggie of methamphetamine (.14 grams net) and a glass meth smoking pipe.

Perez also admitted a violation of probation for failing to report to his Probation Officer and the new Possession of Methamphetamine charge. Perez had previously been released on felony probation with a three year suspended prison sentence on February 8, 2007 for a prior drug related conviction.

Upon the entry of the plea and admission of the violation of probation, the Honorable Thomas Zeff sentenced the defendant to 8 months in state prison on the new charge, and imposed the previously suspended 3 years in state prison sentence for the violation of probation.

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