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PRESS RELEASE

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Case Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jade Lichtenauer, age 29, of Modesto, was convicted on February 27, 2015 of Driving Under the Influence of Drugs Causing Injury, Hit and Run with Injury, and Auto Theft. Deputy District Attorney Scott Uemura prosecuted the case for the People. His position is funded by a grant provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

On August 25, 2014, Lichtenauer took her grandmother's car without consent and drove it while under the influence of methamphetamine. While driving on 9th Street in downtown Modesto, Lichtenauer hit a bicyclist who suffered great bodily injury including numerous facial fractures. After hitting the bicyclist, Defendant fled the scene, driving through Modesto and causing numerous accidents, before eventually stopping in Riverbank where she was arrested. A sample of Lichtenauer's blood tested positive for methamphetamine.

Lichtenauer admitted having two prior convictions for driving under the influence. The offense is considered a "strike" under California's Three Strike's Law because she caused great bodily injury to the bicyclist.

Judge Scott Steffen sentenced Lichtenauer to 6 years and 4 months in prison.