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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: November 5, 2008
Re: People V. Jorge Ortega – Felon in
Possession of a Firearm Sentenced to 2 Years
in State Prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jorge Ortega, age 34 of Modesto, entered a plea of no contest to one count of being an ex-felon in possession of a firearm.

On October 15, Mr. Ortega came into contact with members of the Modesto Police Department. During that contact, he was found to be in possession of a firearm. Mr. Ortega had previously been convicted of two felonies on February 6, 2001 for being involved in a vehicle chop shop and possession of stolen property. He served time in state prison for those convictions.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Thomas Zeff sentenced Ortega to two years in state prison.