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Date: April 22, 2009 Re: John Lee Barr –

Crystal Methamphetamine User

Convicted

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that John Lee Barr, age 52, of Keyes, was convicted on April 22nd after a jury trial on the felony charges of Possession of Crystal Methamphetamine for Sale, Possession of Crystal Methamphetamine, and the misdemeanor charges of Child Endangerment and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Deputy District Attorney Abel C.K. Hung prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on April 6, 2006 when agents with the Stanislaus Drug Enforcement Agency (SDEA), California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team (CAL-MMET), and the Central Valley High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force (CV-HIDTA), along with officers with the Sacramento Valley High-Tech Crimes Task Force, conducted a probation search on the defendant, John Lee Barr, and his residence. During the search of defendant's residence, officers and agents located three (3) separate bags of crystal methamphetamine totaling approximately sixteen (16) grams, methamphetamine pipes, drug packaging material, a digital scale, and other indicia that indicated drug sales. The defendant lived in the residence along with his girlfriend and his girlfriend's fourteen (14) year old child.

Sentencing is scheduled for May 20^{th} before the Honorable Thomas Steffen.