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Date: April 13, 2009 Re: Jose Luis Melgoza, Jr. Violations of Probation Resulting in

State Prison Commitments

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that the following defendants were committed to State Prison after having violated their probation:

Jose Luis Melgoza, Jr. admitted he violated the terms of his probation by failing to report to probation, failing to register as a controlled substance offender, and failing to complete substance abuse treatment. The defendant was originally convicted of possession of methamphetamine on May 15, 2007, and placed on 3 years felony probation. This is his second violation of probation. Upon the admission, the Honorable Susan D. Siefkin sentenced the defendant to 16 months in state prison.

Erik Mora of Empire, was sentenced by the Honorable Nancy Ashley to 16 months in state prison for violating his probation by failing to report to probation, failing to participate in drug counseling, and failing to abstain from the use of controlled substances. Mora was originally convicted of Possession of Methamphetamine for Sale on June 15, 2006 and placed on three years probation. This was Mora's third violation of probation.

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