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MAIL THEFT NETS TUCSON MAN 21 MONTHS IN PRISON

TUCSON, Ariz. – Richard Alan Hofmann, 42, of Tucson, was sentenced yesterday by U.S. Chief Judge John M. Roll to 21 months in federal prison. Hofmann pleaded guilty on April 10, 2009 to Theft or Receipt of Stolen Mail Matter. The Court recommended that Hofmann participate in a substance abuse treatment program while incarcerated. After he completes the 21 month prison term, Hofmann will be on supervised release for 36 months. He was ordered to pay restitution for \$15,629.27 to the 127 victims who submitted restitution claims. An additional 270 victims were identified, but did not seek restitution. Hofmann will participate in substance abuse monitoring and treatment, and abstain from the use of alcohol while on supervision.

Hofmann was employed by a contractor with the U.S. Postal Service to sort mail matter. From approximately February -April 2008, Hofmann rifled parcels and took the contents. The theft was discovered by the company owners, who confronted Hofmann and reported the theft to the Tucson Police Department. Hofmann was fired by the company.

The investigation was conducted by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the Tucson Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Sandra M. Hansen, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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