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**PENNSYLVANIA SEX OFFENDER SENTENCED TO MORE THAN
NINETEEN YEARS FOR ATTEMPTING TO ENTICE A MINOR FOR SEX**

Tampa - A. Brian Albritton today announced that U.S. District Judge Susan Bucklew has sentenced William Luther Young (age 41, of Marietta, Pennsylvania) to 19 years and 7 months in federal prison on charges of attempting to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity. Young had pleaded guilty on January 7, 2009.

According to court documents, Young is a registered sex offender in Pennsylvania with a 1997 conviction for traveling across state lines with the intent of having sex with a minor. He was convicted for attempting, in August 2008, to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity by engaging in email and instant message correspondence with an undercover agent in Tampa who was posing as a 14-year old girl on the internet. Because of his prior offense, Young was sentenced as repeat and dangerous sex offender against minors.

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Laurel F. Moore.