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**KEVIN GARNER PLEADS GUILTY TO FEDERAL
METHAMPHETAMINE TRAFFICKING OFFENSE**

ALBUQUERQUE – U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Gonzales announced that **Kevin Garner**, 44, entered a guilty plea to a methamphetamine trafficking offense this morning in Albuquerque federal court. Under the terms of his plea agreement, Garner will be sentenced within a range of 92 to 115 months of imprisonment to be followed by five years of supervised release. Garner has been in federal custody since December 29, 2010, and remains detained pending his sentencing hearing, which has yet to be scheduled.

The superseding indictment to which Garner entered his guilty plea alleges that Garner distributed more than five grams of actual methamphetamine on February 17, 2010. In his plea agreement, Garner admitted selling a quarter ounce of methamphetamine to a person whom he later learned was working as a confidential informant for the Albuquerque Police Department. The drug deal took place at Garner's residence on the west side of Albuquerque.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Albuquerque Police Department, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Joel R. Meyers and Jon K. Stanford.

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