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WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO THEFT OF POSTAL PROPERTY

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- Lori DeFisher, 44, formerly of Leroy, NY, pled guilty to one count of theft of postal property before United States Magistrate Judge Jonathan W. Feldman, U.S. Attorney Kathleen M. Mehlretter of the Western District of New York announced today. Theft of postal property carries a maximum penalty of 1 year in prison, a fine of \$100,000, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Tiffany H. Lee, who handled the case, stated that the defendant knowingly stole, and converted to her own use, property used by the Postal Service during her employ as a postal carrier.

The plea was the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of the United States Postal Service, Office of Inspector General under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Joseph Finn .

Sentencing will be in front of U.S. Magistrate Judge Jonathan W. Feldman on December 8, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.