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FORMER PULTNEYVILLE POSTMASTER PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING MONEY FROM THE POST OFFICE

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- KATHLEEN E. STEURRYS, 44, of Marion, New York, pled guilty to a felony information charging her with Theft of Government Property announced U.S. Attorney Kathleen M. Mehlretter. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years imprisonment, a fine of up to \$250,000, or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Craig R. Gestring, who handled the case, stated that the defendant was the Postmaster for Pultneyville, N.Y. As Postmaster, Steurrys was responsible for all the cash, stamps, money orders and other accountable items at the Pultneyville Post Office. Today, Steurrys admitted in Federal Court that she stole several thousand dollars from her Post Office during the time she was Postmaster.

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

The defendant will be sentenced before the Honorable Charles J. Siragusa in United States District Court on November 30, 2009 at 3:45pm.