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DAVENPORT WOMAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON ON FEDERAL DRUG CONSPIRACY CHARGE

DAVENPORT, IA - On September 1, 2011, Lacindra Mae Hicks-Spears, age 29, of Davenport, Iowa, was sentenced to 65 months imprisonment, having previously pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Judge John A. Jarvey also sentenced Hicks-Spears to serve at least three years supervised release after imprisonment and ordered her to pay a \$100 special assessment to the crime victims fund.

On April 20, 2010, Hicks-Spears pled guilty to conspiring, from September 2007, to November 2009, with Gregory Bloodsaw, Emanuel Ellis, Goleather Ellis, Terrell Esters, Kirk Phillips, and Cardale Smith, to distribute crack cocaine. At sentencing, Hicks-Spears agreed that she was responsible for at least 2.8 kilograms of crack cocaine. Specifically, Hicks-Spears admitted to participating in this conspiracy by directly distributing crack cocaine from August 2009, to November 2009, and aiding and abetting Danielle Ellis in distributing crack cocaine. During execution of a search warrant on November 12, 2009, approximately 17 grams of crack cocaine were seized from her person. Additionally, Hicks-Spears admitted hiding an additional 42 grams of crack cocaine at another residence, which was later recovered by law enforcement.

The investigation was conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Division of Narcotics Enforcement, and the Davenport Police Department and was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.