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DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA RESIDENT SENTENCED TO 108 MONTHS FOR CONSPIRACY TO DISTRIBUTE METHAMPHETAMINE

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA- On November 29, 2011, Jorge Zamora-Lopez, a citizen of Mexico who had been residing in Douglas County, Nebraska, was sentenced to 108 months imprisonment for Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine. United States District Judge John Jarvey also ordered Zamora-Lopez to serve a five year term of supervised release following incarceration. On August 8, 2011, Zamora-Lopez entered a guilty plea to conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine from January, 2010, through February 25, 2011. During that time period, Zamora-Lopez, along with a co-defendant, distributed methamphetamine throughout South Omaha, Nebraska, and Western Iowa. Law enforcement identified Zamora-Lopez's co-defendant as a potential source of methamphetamine when a controlled purchase was made in Shelby County, Iowa, using a confidential informant, in January of 2010. The investigation continued, finally culminating in the arrest of Zamora-Lopez on February 25, 2011, when he drove his co-defendant to a location in South Omaha to deliver methamphetamine. At the time of their arrest, Zamora-Lopez and his co-defendant had over a pound of pure methamphetamine, cocaine and over ten thousand dollars in currency in their possession.

The investigation was conducted by the Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement, Shelby County, Iowa, Sheriff's Office, the Douglas County, Nebraska, Sheriff's Office, the Southwest Iowa Narcotics Task Force, the Department of Homeland Security Enforcement and Removal

Operation, and the Drug Enforcement Administration. This case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.