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## **Manufacturing Methamphetamine Near Swisher Results in Federal Prison for Cedar Rapids Woman**

DAVENPORT, IA– On March 16, 2012, Brandi Lynn McHale, age 39, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was sentenced to 160 months imprisonment for manufacturing methamphetamine, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. United States District Judge John A. Jarvey also ordered McHale to serve five years of supervised release following her imprisonment, pay \$100 to the Crime Victims Fund, and be jointly and severally liable for restitution in the amount of \$6,087.69 to cover costs of cleaning up the site on a farm near Swisher where the manufacturing occurred.

On February 16, 2011, a one count Indictment charged Andrew Falco, Leigh Ann Wessels, Brenda Junge, Cheryl Wells and McHale with conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine, beginning in January 2007, and continuing until April 5, 2010. McHale pled guilty on September 22, 2011. Previously, Falco was sentenced to 240 months imprisonment, Wessels was sentenced to 120 months imprisonment, Junge was sentenced to 90 months imprisonment, and Wells was sentenced to 180 months imprisonment.

This case was investigated by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and the Johnson County Multi-Agency Drug Task Force. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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