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DEFENDANT WHO RECEIVED CHILD PORNOGRAPHY PLEADS GUILTY

Defendant Pleads Guilty to Receiving Numerous Images of Child Pornography

Albany, New York —United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and Clifford C. Holly, Special Agent-in-Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany Division, announced that, JASON BURNASH, age 30, of Rensselaer, New York, pled guilty on October 27, 2011 in United States District Court in Albany before District Judge Thomas J. McAvoy to one count of receiving child pornography.

BURNASH admitted that beginning in about January 2010 and continuing until about February 5, 2011, he received numerous electronic still images and one video of child pornography from a variety of child pornography websites and sources. BURNASH further admitted that once he received said images, he saved some of them onto his laptop computer.

Sentencing was scheduled by Judge McAvoy for March 12, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. in U.S. District Court in Albany, New York. BURNASH faces a maximum penalty of 20 years of imprisonment, with a mandatory minimum sentence of five years. BURNASH was released pending his sentencing.

This case was investigated by the F.B.I. and the Rensselaer Police Department.

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