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NORWALK MAN SENTENCED FOR ATTEMPTED ENTICEMENT OF A MINOR TO ENGAGE IN ILLICIT SEXUAL CONDUCT

DES MOINES, IA – On July 21, 2011, John Henry Harryman, age 53, of Norwalk, Iowa, was sentenced by United States District Judge John A. Jarvey to 135 months of imprisonment in connection with Harryman's previous guilty plea to attempted enticement of a minor to engage in illicit sexual conduct. Harryman also was sentenced to 10 years of supervised release following imprisonment and ordered to register as a sex offender.

Between June 7, 2010, and September 27, 2010, Harryman engaged in internet chats with an individual he believed to be a 14-year-old girl but who actually was an undercover Postal Inspector. Harryman proposed sexual contact with the girl and indicated that he would pick her up outside a middle school in Johnston, Iowa. On October 26, 2010, Harryman drove from Norwalk to Johnston to the agreed rendezvous site and was arrested at that location. Harryman admitted to police that he had arrived to meet a 14-year-old girl for the purpose of engaging in sexual activity.

This case was investigated by the Johnston, Iowa Police Department and the United States Postal Inspection Service, and was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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