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CHEEKTOWAGA MAN SENTENCED IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CASE

BUFFALO, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Timothy Parmelee, 49, of Cheektowaga, N.Y., who was convicted of receipt of child pornography, was sentenced to 15 years in prison and lifetime supervised release by U.S. District Judge Richard J. Arcara. .

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marie P. Grisanti, who handled the case, stated that between December 1, 2009 and February 3, 2010, the defendant, knowingly received images of child pornography using his computers at his residence. Parmalee possessed over 100 images of child pornography, and 35 videos. Some of the images depicted children as young as five years old. The defendant also distributed images of child pornography through the internet to an individual who he believed was 13 years old.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, under the direction of Inspector in Charge Robert Bethel and the Cheektowaga Police Department under the direction of Chief David Zack.

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