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BUFFALO MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO COCAINE CHARGES

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Gregory Miller, 48, of Buffalo, N.Y., pleaded guilty plea before Chief U.S. District Judge William M. Skretny to cocaine trafficking. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, a fine of \$1,000,000 or both.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael L. McCabe, who is handling the case, Miller was involved in drug trafficking in Cheektowaga and on Buffalo's East Side. He was arrested along with nine others in June 2011. The defendant purchased cocaine from co-defendant Charles Palmer who allegedly stored and sold cocaine from an auto shop on Broadway Street in Sloan. Miller then sold cocaine to a network of customers in the City of Buffalo. Palmer is awaiting trial.

The plea is the culmination of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Safe Streets Task Force, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Christopher M. Piehota and the Cheektowaga Police Department, under the direction of Chief David Zack.

Sentencing is scheduled for November 26, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. before Judge Skretny.

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