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Press Release

Re: State of Ohio vs. Tellina Tenney, Case #11CR0201

Today Tellina Tenney entered pleas of guilty to two (2) counts of Child Endangering for her role in the July 8 and July 10, 2011 abuse of a child in her home in Pelton's Trailer Park near Fostoria, Ohio. Tenney and her then boyfriend, Randall Dailey, had been caring for a 22 month old child for several days. Tenney had been indicted for abusing the child and causing the child serious physical harm including a first degree burn, significant bruising to the face, arms, torso, and legs, and other injuries.

The child was initially treated at Fostoria Community Hospital and then transferred to Toledo Hospital. The long term effects of the abuse are not completely understood at this time, but it is believed that the child's development may be impacted.

The case was initially investigated by Sgt. Cory Brian and Officer Taggart of the Fostoria Police Department. After a determination that the crimes had occurred outside the city limits, the case was transferred to the Seneca County Sheriff's Office and the investigation was completed by Det. Sgt. Kevin Reinbolt.

"Sgt. Brian and Officer Taggart were all over this case from the time they saw this child. The abuse was that obvious," said Derek W. DeVine, Seneca County Prosecuting Attorney. He further added, "The officers began immediately documenting the injuries and pinning down who was responsible for these crimes. It was good police work under very difficult circumstances."

Judge Steve C. Shuff ordered a Pre-sentence investigation to be completed prior to sentencing. The maximum possible sentence is sixteen (16) years. Ms. Tenney is represented by Upper Sandusky attorney Mary Snyder.