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Greenville Woman Sentenced on three(3) counts of Unlawful Child Neglect and two(2) counts of Exposing Minors to Methamphetamine Manufacturing Materials or Chemicals

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins' office stated today the KAYLA LANE DAVIS, age 24, pled guilty on May 16, 2011 to three counts of UNLAWFUL CHILD NEGLECT, and two counts of EXPOSING MINORS TO METHAMPHETAMINE MANUFACTURING MATERIALS OR CHEMICALS. The Honorable Judge C. Victor Pyle sentenced KAYLA LANE DAVIS to 10 years suspended upon the service of 1 year in the South Carolina Department of Corrections followed by 5 years of probation.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing established that on February 26, 2010, narcotics agents with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office assisted the Department of Social Services in a home inspection in Greenville County. DSS was conducting a home visit based on a 10-month old child brought to Greenville Memorial Hospital with possible chemical burns. Upon arrival, agents noticed several items consistent with a meth lab. Hazmat teams destroyed the lab and the home and occupants were decontaminated. KAYLA LANE DAVIS, the mother of the two children, admitted to the Solicitor's Office that co-defendant and live-in boyfriend, JAMES MILTON BROWN had been cooking methamphetamine in the home. DAVIS stated that se believed the burns found on the minor child were from a cleaning chemical that may have been used when cooking Methamphetamine.

Assistant Solicitor Perry DeLoach and Assistant Solicitor Ryan Holloway prosecuted the case.

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