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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**To: All News Outlets**

**From: Jennifer Hansen, Public Information Officer**

**Date: July 31, 2013**

**RE: Traffic stop leads to narcotics arrest**

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On the evening of Monday, July 29, 2013, at approximately 8:30pm, Mono County Sheriff's Deputies conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle headed southbound on Hwy 395 near McGee Creek.

Bruce Pottenger, age 55, of Minden, NV, was stopped by deputies on southbound Hwy 395 and McGee Creek Road for expired registration. During questioning of the expired registration, Mr. Pottenger advised deputies that he was on probation for drug possession. Mr. Pottenger was asked to exit his vehicle and also asked if he possessed any drugs on his person or in the vehicle. He stated he did not.

Upon a vehicle search, four (4) grams of methamphetamine, three (3) methamphetamine pipes, and narcotic paraphernalia was located inside a black backpack in the vehicle. Mr. Pottenger was arrested and taken to the Mono County Jail in Bridgeport without incident. Charges for this incident are pending with the Mono County District Attorney's Office.

*Written and prepared by: Jennifer Hansen, Public Information Officer*