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### Press Release - For Immediate Release

Elk Point, S.D. – State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller said today that brothers San Jose & Eric Castillo-Tello, both from Texas, plead guilty on October 18, 2010. Each Castillo-Tello plead guilty to one count of Grand Theft, a class 4 felony. Each Castillo-Tello brother faces a potential maximum of 10 years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary and or a \$10,000 fine. Sentencing on this matter has been set for November 29, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.. Both of the Castillo-Tello brothers remain free on bond until their sentencing date.

This case was investigated by the Union County Deputy Sheriff T.J. Moore. Eyewitnesses observed the suspects loading tools into their pickup truck and reported their observations to law enforcement. The same eyewitnesses then followed the suspects in the pickup truck reporting the location of the defendant as they were leaving the area and until law enforcement was able to stop the suspects. Deputy Moore's investigation discovered that the suspects had construction tools from three construction sites and from one construction trailer. The value of the stolen tools exceeds \$1000 and is less then \$100,000 making this Grand Theft charge, a class 4 felony.