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### Press Release - For Immediate Release

Elk Point, S.D. – State's Attorney Jerry A. Miller announced today that Tonja Nowlen, age 32, a Sioux City, IA resident, plead guilty on September 12, 2011 in the 1<sup>st</sup> Circuit Court to one count of Possession of a Known Forged Instrument (Fake Currency), a class five felony. The maximum sentence on a class five-felony charge is a fine up to ten thousand dollars, or a sentence up to five years in the South Dakota State Penitentiary, or both.

Nowlen was charged by Indictment on August 11, 2011 on the above listed charge. Nowlen is currently incarcerated in the Union County Jail awaiting sentencing. Nowlen will be sentenced on October 24, 2011, at 10:00 a.m.