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Federal Correctional Officer Sentenced on Bribery Charges

Columbia, South Carolina----- United States Attorney Bill Nettles stated today that Charlotte McLaughlin was sentenced in federal court in Florence, South Carolina, for Bribery, a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 201(b)(2)(C). United States District Judge R. Bryan Harwell of Florence sentenced McLaughlin to 13 months imprisonment and 3 years supervised release.

Evidence presented at the guilty plea hearing established that in 2012 and 2013, McLaughlin, who was a Federal Correctional Officer at the time, accepted bribes from inmates and their associates in exchange for which she brought contraband, tobacco and cellphones, to inmates at the Federal Correctional Institution in Bennettsville.

The case was investigated by agents of the Department of Justice, Office of Inspector General. Assistant United States Attorney A. Bradley Parham of the Florence office prosecuted the case.

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