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**ROSCOE WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO MAIL FRAUD,  
AGGRAVATED IDENTIFY THEFT AND THEFT OF U.S. MAIL**

ROCKFORD — A Roscoe, Ill. woman pleaded guilty yesterday in federal court before U.S. District Judge Frederick J. Kapala to charges of mail fraud, aggravated identity theft and theft of U.S. mail. **Stacy L. Wallin**, 39, of Roscoe, admitted that from approximately June 2011 through June 2012, she devised a scheme to defraud at least ten individuals in Roscoe, Illinois, and local financial institutions, by fraudulently acquiring merchandise and U. S. currency totaling at least \$30,000 by paying for the merchandise, and acquiring the United States currency, with credit cards that were not hers.

According to the written plea agreement, Wallin admitted she stole mail from other residents' mailboxes located in Roscoe, Illinois that contained victim individuals' personal identifiable information. Using the stolen information, Wallin applied for and opened credit card accounts in those individuals' names, and used those credit cards to purchase merchandise on the Internet and at local businesses. Wallin also used the credit cards to obtain United States currency from the automated teller machines of local financial institutions.

Mail fraud carries a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$1 million; aggravated identify theft carries a mandatory sentence of 2 years' imprisonment, as well as a maximum fine of \$250,000; and theft of U.S. mail carries a maximum sentence of 5 years'

imprisonment, and a maximum fine of \$250,000. The court must also order mandatory restitution and impose a reasonable sentence under the advisory United States Sentencing Guidelines. Sentencing is scheduled for December 21, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

The guilty plea was announced by Gary S. Shapiro, Acting United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and Thomas P. Brady, Inspector-in-Charge of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in Chicago. The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department assisted in the investigation.

The government is being represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Scott R. Paccagnini.

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