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Acadia Parish waste tire transport company owner arrested on waste tire fund violations

BATON ROUGE – Today, investigators from the Criminal Investigation Division of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality arrested the owner of a waste tire transport company on numerous felony counts related to the Louisiana Waste Tire Management Fund.

Anna Guillory, 41, of Eunice, the owner and operator of Reds Transport, is being charged with 34 counts of forgery; 34 counts of filing a false public record; one count of theft of approximately \$3,931.50; and one count of Waste Tire Fund fraud greater than \$500. Guillory allegedly inflated the number of eligible tires and/or forged the names of legitimate tire generators on manifests so that she could be reimbursed by Colt Tire, a waste tire processor. Guillory is the sister-in-law of Majella Green, a waste transporter who was arrested by DEQ-CID on the same charges on May 3, 2012 and the aunt of Rakeim Senegal, another employee of Reds Transport who was arrested by DEQ-CID on the same charges on May 24, 2012.

“DEQ is committed to protecting the integrity of the waste tire program and the public who pay the tire disposal fee,” said Vince Sagnibene, DEQ Undersecretary of Management & Finance. “Today’s arrest of a third individual associated with Reds Transport demonstrates that DEQ’s Criminal Investigation Division will investigate and arrest individuals who defraud the waste tire program.”

If convicted of the crime of forgery, Guillory faces possible imprisonment for not more than 10 years with or without hard labor, or a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both per count. If convicted of the crime of filing false public records, Guillory faces possible imprisonment for not more than five years with or without hard labor, or a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both per count. If convicted of the crime of theft, she faces possible imprisonment for not more than 10 years with or without hard labor, or a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both. If convicted of the crime of Waste Tire Fund Fraud and the fraudulent taking amounts to a value of five hundred dollars or more, Guillory faces imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for not more than ten years, or may be fined not more than three thousand dollars, or both.

The investigation is ongoing.

The mission of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality is to protect the environment and public health. Anyone with knowledge of any spills, releases, odors, fish kills, open burning, waste tires or any other environmental incidents may contact the department at 225-219-3640 or Toll Free 1-888-763-5424.

An arrest does not constitute guilt in a criminal case and all subjects are presumed innocent. All evidence compiled during the investigation is presented to the area prosecutors who determine if formal charges are warranted.