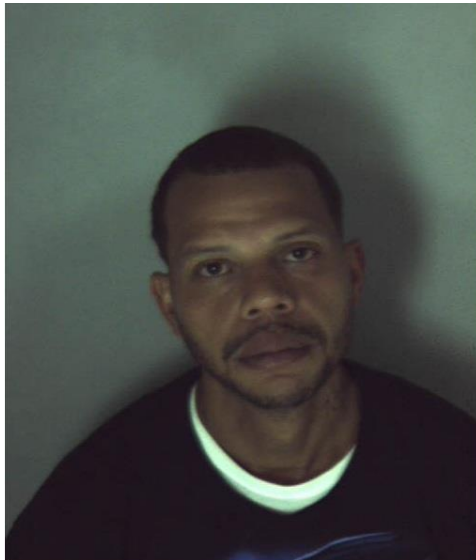




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Guilty Plea for Drug and Weapon Charges



ALBANY, NY - District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that PEDRO ROBLES, 37, of Watervliet, pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, a class C felony, and (1) Count of Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance in the Third Degree, a class B felony, before the Honorable Judge Stephen Herrick in Albany City Court, on Wednesday, July 15.

On May 18, 2015, at approximately 5 p.m., at 2100 Second Avenue City of Watervliet, ROBLES sold heroin to another person for a sum of United States Currency. The action was repeated on

May 26, 2015, at approximately 6 p.m., at 100 Troy-Schenectady Road, in the City of Watervliet. In both instances, an undercover police officer in the Town of Watervliet participated in a controlled buy of the heroin from ROBLES. Following the second buy, the Sheriff's office obtained a search warrant and found a loaded defaced .380 pistol and 2,600 bags of heroin.

ROBLES faces 6 years determinate in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post-Release Supervision, for his weapon possession charge and 9 years determinate, to be followed by 3 years of Post-Release Supervision, for his drug sale charge when sentenced on September 16, 2015. The two state prison sentencings will be served concurrently.

Assistant District Attorney Joseph Brucato of the Street Crimes Unit is prosecuting this case.

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