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Albany Man Sentenced to State Prison for Auto Stripping Multiple Vehicles



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that WILFREDO SOTO-RIVERA, 46, of Albany, was sentenced to 2 to 4 years in State Prison before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On April 11, 2013, SOTO-RIVERA pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Auto Stripping the Second Degree, a Class E Felony.

On March 3, 2013, SOTO-RIVERA did break into multiple vehicles on Borgart Terrace, Bassett Avenue and Dongan Avenue in the City of Albany. The defendant broke the window and took the car stereo from two separate vehicles.

Members of the Albany Police Department observed SOTO-RIVERA in the vicinity of these break-ins and the defendant had two car stereos in his possession when approached by the APD.

The resolution of this case is in full satisfaction of several similar auto thefts in the City of Albany attributable to the defendant.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Peluso of the Vehicular Crimes Bureau handled the prosecution of this case.

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