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Suspect Arrested for Cocaine Possession

On June 22, 2009 at approximately 5:00PM a Mono County Deputy conducted a traffic stop near Highway 89 and Highway 395 on a vehicle for lighting violations along with failure to signal when conducting a turn. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Saul Cossio-Pitones, age 42 and a resident of Topaz Ranch NV.

During the investigation the Deputy located a small baggie that appeared to contain a powdery substance resembling cocaine. Mr. Cossio-Pitones, after being read his Miranda rights, admitted to purchasing the cocaine in Carson City several days prior. He stated that he is a habitual user and had last used cocaine about a day ago.

Mr. Cossio-Pitones was arrested for both possession of a controlled substance and being under the influence of a controlled substance. He was transported and booked at the Bridgeport Sheriff Station without incident.

The law requires that arrest information be made available to the public. This publication may contain suspect information about individuals booked by the Mono County Sheriff's Department recently. Names of juveniles (under 18-years-old) are not public. Suspect information and ongoing investigation details are also withheld. Since most cases have yet to be adjudicated, all charges should be considered allegations. For questions/concerns regarding any information contained in this publication, contact Undersheriff Ralph Obenberger at (760) 932-7549.