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MOTHER PLEADS GUILTY IN DEATH OF HER CHILD

A Denver woman has pleaded guilty in connection with the 2008 death of her 2-year-old son, Elijah Archuleta.

Isela Reyes-Talamantes (dob: 02-23-85) pleaded guilty to *child abuse resulting in death* (F3) and is facing from 10 to 32 years in the Colorado Department of Corrections.

On November 7, 2008, at about 11 p.m. Denver Police responded to St. Anthony's Central Hospital on a report of a child with severe burns. The child was pronounced dead shortly after arrival at the hospital.

In exchange for her guilty plea, the *first-degree murder* charge against Reyes- Talamantes was dismissed. Reyes- Talamantes will remain in the custody of Denver County Jail until her sentencing hearing on March 19, 2010 in Courtroom 7, at 8:30 a.m.

A co-defendant, John Vigil, is charged with *first-degree murder* (F1) and *child abuse resulting in death* (F2) and is scheduled to appear later this year for a motions hearing.