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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **ADDITIONAL VICTIMS OF CHILD MOLESTER SOUGHT**

Earlier this week a Denver jury returned a guilty verdict against a 36-year-old man accused of sexually assaulting two teenage boys just over a year ago in Denver. Investigators believe there may be other victims who have not yet come forward.

**Brett Candelaria** (dob:03-28-72) was found guilty on Tuesday of two counts of *sexual assault on a child* (F4) and now faces an indeterminate to life sentence with a minimum of at least 4 to 12 years in the Department of Corrections when he is sentenced on May 29, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

Candelaria befriended the boys using gifts, video games and entertainment to lure them into a friendly relationship before assaulting them. These assaults occurred at Candelaria's home in the 4800 block of West Kentucky Avenue in Denver. Candelaria is scheduled for trial next month in a second case involving another teenage boy who was assaulted at a home in the 1200 block of Zenobia Street.

Candelaria has previous convictions for sex crimes that date back to 1994 in New Mexico, leading investigators to believe there are additional victims in the Denver and Lakewood area. Anyone with information can call the Denver DA's Office directly at 720-913-9000 or CrimeStoppers at 720-913-STOP (7867)