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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **BUS DRIVER SENTENCED IN DUI CASE**

A contract bus driver arrested last year for driving an RTD bus while under the influence of alcohol has been sentenced today.

**Darren Pettee** (dob: 12-12-64) pleaded guilty last November to *attempt to endanger public transportation* (F4) and *DUI-fourth offense* (M). He was sentenced today to one year in jail with alcohol treatment; a second year in jail was suspended upon successful completion of two years of DUI probation.

On September 1, 2014, Pettee was a driver for First Transit and was discovered driving under the influence of alcohol while operating an RTD bus. Four hours after he was removed from his bus, his BAC was .211.

At the sentencing hearing today in Denver District Court, he apologized for his actions. Pettee, who had been out of custody on bond, was handcuffed and led from the courtroom to begin serving his sentence.

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