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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

December 16, 2015

VPD Report Number: 15-17473

Date/Time Occurred: November/December 2015

Type of Incident: Embezzlement Arrest

Location: JC Penney 2115 S. Mooney

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Miguel Ferreira
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Yes

Details: In early December 2015, the Visalia Police Department Commercial Policing Unit was contacted by JCPenney regarding a possible embezzlement involving one of their employees. During the investigation, it was discovered employee Miguel Ferreira, working as a store cashier, was providing significant and unauthorized discounts on merchandise being purchased by persons he knew for the past several weeks.

This week, commercial policing officers have been able to locate and recover JC Penney merchandise in excess of \$4,000, some of which were intended as Christmas gifts. On December 15, 2015, suspect Ferreira was taken into custody and booked at the Tulare County Pre Trial Facility for felony embezzlement. The investigation is continuing. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Visalia Police Department at (559) 734-8116.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Commercial Policing Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. D. Maurice

