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Akron Woman Sentenced for Fentanyl Related Death

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, May 18, 2016) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Elizabeth Ulrey, 37,of Upson Street in Akron, was sentenced to four years in prison for providing fentanyl to a person who later died. The Summit County Prosecutor's Office requested a prison sentence of eight years.

On April 13, 2016, Ulrey pled guilty to the following charges:

- Involuntary Manslaughter a felony of the 1st degree
- Corrupting Another with Drugs a felony of the 2nd degree

In April of 2015, Ulrey sold fentanyl to her friend, 28-year-old Reggie Dernbach. Dernbach took the fentanyl and later died after emergency crews made several attempts to revive him.

"Mr. Dernbach overdosed just blocks away from a local hospital. Ulrey never called 9-1-1 or made any effort to help her friend," said Prosecutor Walsh. "Ulrey exhibited a conscious disregard for the victim in this case."