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ATHENS, Ohio – Athens County Prosecutor’s Investigators were assisted by the Ohio State Highway Patrol to arrest Brittany Eckert at the Ohio Reformatory for Women in Union County, Ohio. This is the fifth arrest in the Columbus, Ohio heroin ring involving Eric Miller, Cassie Rose and several other individuals.

Brittany Eckert, 26, was arrested today, May 18, 2016, on a complaint filed in Athens Municipal Court charging one (1) count of Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity, a felony of the first degree. Eckert’s arrest follows the March 29, 2016, arrest of Kristin Smith and March 30, 2016, arrest of Eric J. Miller, also known as “E”. Cassie Rose was booked into the Southeast Ohio Regional Jail on May 4, 2016.

Prosecutor Blackburn stated that, “Ms. Eckert is accused of aiding Mr. Miller in conducting his drug operation, relocating firearms, and using her position at the Ohio Reformatory for Women to further Miller's conspiracy.”

The Athens County Prosecutor’s Office has information and will be working to track down the rest of those involved in this enterprise. Individuals are encouraged to contact us at 740-592-3208 or we will be contacting you.

Agencies involved in the original investigations include the Meigs-Gallia County Task Force, Fairfield-Hocking-Athens Major Crimes, and The Athens County Prosecutor’s Office. Other agencies that have provided assistance in this matter include the Columbus Police Department and the Licking-Perry Task Force.