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Undercover Sting Leads to Arrest for Insurance Fraud **October 2, 2015**

Phoenix, AZ – The Arizona Department of Insurance Fraud Unit arrested Donald Parra, 41, of Mesa. Mr. Parra is the owner of “Precision 1 Auto Glass” (recently re-named to “Family Glass Shop”) located at 1947 North Lindsey Road, #107 in Mesa, AZ. Mr. Parra was booked at the MCSO jail charged with several felony charges including Identity Theft and Insurance Fraud after making fictitious automobile glass claims to insurance companies.

As part of an undercover investigation of Mr. Parra and his business, Arizona Department of Insurance Fraud Unit investigators were solicited by one of Parra’s employees to make a fictitious claim to an insurance company. The investigation also revealed Mr. Parra and his employees were filing fictitious automobile glass claims representing themselves as the insureds who had business with their company in the past. In Arizona, it is a class 6 felony for an auto glass repairer or salesperson to knowingly submit a false claim to an insurance company if the services were not provided.

In addition to Mr. Parra, two other suspects were located, taken into custody and subsequently released after being interviewed. To date, no charges have been filed against these suspects. However, several computers and numerous other items were seized as evidence during a search warrant served on the business.

“All Arizonans should be proud of the great work done by the Fraud Unit,” said Arizona Acting Director of Insurance, Darren Ellingson. “The Fraud Unit’s efforts help reduce the overall cost of



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insurance for every Arizonan, while sending notice to other bad actors that Arizona will not tolerate insurance crimes.”

About the Fraud Unit

The Fraud Unit was established in the Arizona Department of Insurance in 1994 to deter, investigate and facilitate convictions of insurance fraud. By deterring fraud, the Fraud Unit reduces the inflationary impact of fraud that is passed on to consumers through higher costs of insurance products. If you believe you are a victim of insurance fraud or know of someone committing insurance fraud, please contact the Arizona Department of Insurance Fraud Unit at 602-364-2140.

About the Arizona Department of Insurance

The Arizona Department of Insurance, an agency of the State of Arizona, is responsible for the education and protection of insurance consumers and for oversight of the insurance industry in the state. If you need assistance with your insurance, please contact the Arizona Department of Insurance Consumer Affairs Division at 602-364-2499 (metro Phoenix) or 800-325-2548 (outside Phoenix).