



**Porterville Police Department  
Press Release**

**Incident:** Possession of Methamphetamine

**Date/Time:** August 20, 2008 / 1:15 P.M.

**Location:** 900 Block of North Jaye Street

**Suspects:** Henry Joe Vargas, age 26  
Porterville Resident

**Narrative:**

**On August 19, 2008 at approximately 1:15 P.M. Officer M. Benas conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the 900 Block of North Jaye Street for a vehicle violation.**

**The passenger of the vehicle, **Henry Joe Vargas**, was contacted and was determined to have a **felony warrant** for his arrest.**

**While taking Vargas into custody, a small amount of **methamphetamine** was located in his possession.**

**Vargas was booked at the Porterville Police Department for the felony warrant and a fresh charge of possession of methamphetamine. Vargas was later transported to Tulare County Jail for housing.**

**Investigating Officer**  
Michael Benas

**Supervisor**  
Sam Garcia, OIC