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**STATEMENT FROM DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION COMMISSIONER ROSE GILL HEARN
REGARDING A FORMER CITY CONTRACTOR'S 30-MONTH PRISON SENTENCE
AND \$665,780 RESTITUTION ORDER**

ALLAN J. FINE, former Executive Director of Etna Home Attendant Service Corporation, was sentenced today to 30 months in federal prison and three years' supervised release and was ordered to pay \$665,780 to the New York City Department of Investigation (DOI) in restitution for his embezzlement of that sum from Etna from 1997 through November 2001. Etna, a private, not-for-profit organization in the Bronx, had a contract with the New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA) to provide home health care services to elderly and disabled individuals eligible for Medicaid. All of Etna's funding came from federal, state and local governments. According to the Indictment, FINE had sole control of Etna's bank accounts and wrote approximately \$485,500 in checks to himself and deposited them into his personal checking account. The indictment also charges that he wrote \$180,280 in checks payable to All City Corporate Transportation Inc., a car service, to pay for services provided to his former wife. FINE was sentenced today in the federal court in Manhattan by United States District Judge Kenneth M. Karas. FINE pled guilty to the indictment on April 12, 2005. He was ordered to surrender on November 18, 2005.

This defendant stole taxpayers' money that was intended to pay for health care for elderly and disabled patients. The prison time Mr. FINE now faces is the direct result of his greed, DOI's uncovering his fraudulent scheme, and vigorous prosecution by the U.S. Attorney's office. DOI will seek restitution for every nickel taken by the defendant, as ordered by the Court.

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