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ALBUQUERQUE —Attorney General Hector Balderas announced the successful prosecution of Francisco Saucedo, for charges related to sexual exploitation of children Nov. 2.

The New Mexico Office of the Attorney General secured multiple convictions against Saucedo, ensuring that he will stay behind bars for up to 30 years.

"People who commit horrific acts of child exploitation must face punishment," Balderas said. "I am committed to putting predators behind bars and seeking justice for our children in New Mexico."

In July, 2017, Special Agents with the New Mexico Office of the Attorney General discovered child pornography that was being distributed from Saucedo's computer through peer-to-peer file sharing software.

Agents executed a search warrant at Saucedo's home, at which time Saucedo was arrested and charged with Criminal Sexual Penetration of a Minor, numerous counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children, Voyeurism (under 18,) Failure to Register as a Sex Offender. On October 30th, 2018, Saucedo pled no contest to Sexual Exploitation of Children by Manufacture, Sexual Exploitation of Children by Distribution, Sexual Exploitation of Children by Possession and Voyeurism (under 18.)

Saucedo will serve a minimum of 15 years, and up to 30 years for these convictions alone and

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will be tried on an additional count of Criminal Sexual Penetration of a Minor in January brought by the Office of the Attorney General.