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Jesse Luulooa Pier, 42, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Greg Kays to 30 years in federal prison without parole.



On Oct. 2, 2013, Pier pleaded guilty to transporting a minor across state lines to engage in criminal sexual activity. Pier â a commercial truck driver â admitted that he transported a minor victim on a cross-country trip with the intent to engage in sexual activity on several occasions between June 1 through 17, 2007.

On June 9, 2007, Pier and the child victim arrived in Elgin, S.C. Pier attended a party in Elgin, where he met a local minor boy. While staying overnight, Pier molested the minor, who informed authorities. Pier was charged in state court, pleaded guilty to criminal sexual conduct with a minor and was sentenced to 13 years in the South Carolina State Department of Corrections. Pierâs 30-year federal sentence will be served consecutively to his state imprisonment.

Pier committed abusive sexual acts on the minor victim in this case on at least two occasions after forcing him to watch a pornographic video.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick D. Daly. It was investigated by the FBI, the Abilene, Kan., Police Department and the Elgin, S.C., Police Department.