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## Four Petersburg Residents Enter Pleas to Methamphetamine Charge

ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA - Four Petersburg, West Virginia, residents entered pleas of guilty on May 29, 2012, in United States District Court in Elkins before Magistrate Judge John S. Kaull.

United States Attorney William J. Ihlenfeld, II, announced that:

TOMMA KILE, age 40, entered a plea of guilty to one count of Possession of Material Used in the Manufacture of Methamphetamine on February 9, 2012, in Grant County, West Virginia. KILE, who is free on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of 10 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

JEREMY L. JONES, age 40, entered a plea of guilty to one count of Possession of Pseudoephedrine with intent to Manufacture Methamphetamine on December 6, 2011, in Hardy County, West Virginia. JONES, who is free on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of 20 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

DERICK E. WILSON, age 30, entered a plea of guilty to one count of Possession of Material Used in the Manufacture of Methamphetamine on January 27, 2012, in Grant County, West Virginia. WILSON, who is free on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of 10 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

TY VANMETER, age 19, entered a plea of guilty to one count of Possession of Pseudoephedrine with intent to Manufacture Methamphetamine on February 9, 2012, in Hardy County, West Virginia. VANMETER, who is free on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of 20 years imprisonment and a fine of \$250,000.

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These cases were prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Robert H. McWilliams, Jr. and Stephen D. Warner and were investigated by the Grant County Sheriff's Department, the Hardy County Sheriff's Department, the Monongahela National Forest/Law Enforcement and Investigations and the West Virginia State Police.