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WEABLEAU, MO., MAN FACES ADDITIONAL METH, FIREARMS CHARGES

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Weableau, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for allegedly manufacturing methamphetamine and illegally possessing firearms.

Carl Robert Carter, 40, of Weableau, Mo., was charged in a six-count second superseding indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting today in Jefferson City. The second superseding indictment replaces a previously returned indictment and superseding indictment by adding four counts to the original charges. **Carter** was first charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on April 30, 2003.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Carter** was a felon in possession of a firearm when he was in possession of a Remington .22 caliber rifle, a Norinco SKS rifle and a loaded Colt .357 magnum on Jan. 2, 2003, in Hickory County, Mo. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Carter** has two 1981 criminal felony convictions for stealing and burglary and two 1984 criminal felony convictions for theft.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Carter** attempted to manufacture methamphetamine on Jan. 20, 2003, in Hickory County.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Carter** was a felon in possession of a firearm again when he allegedly was in possession of a Lorcin .380 caliber pistol with 46 rounds of Remington .22 caliber ammunition on June 10, 2003, in Hickory County.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Carter** manufactured methamphetamine on June 10, 2003, in Hickory County.

Counts Five and Six of the federal indictment allege that **Carter** possessed pseudoephedrine, knowing it would be used to manufacture methamphetamine, on Jan. 20, 2003, and June 10, 2003, respectively, in Hickory County.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Doug Shull. It was investigated by the Hickory County, Mo., Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at
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