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NITRO UPDATE

RICHMOND, MO., HUSBAND & WIFE PLEAD GUILTY TO METH CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a husband and wife from Richmond, Mo., pleaded guilty in federal court today to charges related to a conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine. Graves said the case is the result of an investigation conducted by the NITRO Task Force in Northwest Missouri.

Don A. Ogg, 44, and **Patricia Ogg**, 41, both of Richmond, Mo., pleaded guilty in separate appearances before U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner.

By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Don Ogg** admitted that he conspired to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine between Oct. 20, 2002, and Jan. 13, 2003. **Patricia Ogg** admitted that she aided and abetted her husband by maintaining a residence at 43820 E. Highway F in Ray County, Mo., for the purpose of manufacturing, distributing, or using methamphetamine during the same time frame.

As a result of today's guilty pleas, each of the defendants could be sentenced up to 20 years in federal prison without parole. **Don Ogg** could also be subject to a fine up to \$1 million, and **Patricia Ogg** could also be subject to a fine up to \$500,000.



The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jess Michaelson. It was investigated by the NITRO (Northwest Missouri Interagency Response Operation) Task Force, the North Central Missouri Drug Task Force, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Ray County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Richmond, Mo., Police Department, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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