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FULTON MAN FACES ADDITIONAL FEDERAL CHARGES FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, OBSCENITY

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that a Fulton, Mo., man faces additional federal charges for child pornography and obscenity.

Jack Wayne Rogers, 58, of Fulton, Mo., was charged in an 11-count superseding indictment returned under seal by a federal grand jury in Jefferson City on June 20, 2003. That superseding indictment, which replaces the original two-count indictment returned on April 5, 2003, was unsealed by the court and made public today.

Graves explained that the superseding indictment includes nine additional charges against **Rogers**, including an additional charge of possession of child pornography, five charges of distribution of child pornography, and three charges of distribution of obscene materials. The superseding indictment retains the original count for possession of child pornography and a federal forfeiture count.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that from an unknown date until March 18, 2003, in Callaway County, Mo., **Rogers** was in possession of computer files containing visual depictions of persons under the age of 18 engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that from an unknown date until April 9, 2003, in Boone County, Mo., **Rogers** was in possession of video movies contained on a computer and a computer disk, each of which contains visual depictions of persons under the age of 18 engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Counts Three through Seven of the federal indictment allege that, on five separate occasions from Aug. 31, 2001 to May 20, 2002, **Rogers** e-mailed a digital photograph of a person under the age of 18 engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Counts Eight through Ten of the federal indictment allege that, on three separate occasions from Nov. 24 to Dec. 8, 2002, **Rogers** e-mailed obscene, lewd, lascivious pictures and matters of indecent character. Those photos depicted male genitalia that had been removed and placed on a dinner plate alongside a knife and fork.

Count Eleven of the federal indictment would require **Rogers** to forfeit to the United States the images and the property used to commit the alleged offenses, including an eMachine computer and a Hewlett-Packard Pavilion Notebook computer.

Rogers remains in custody until his trial, which has not yet been scheduled.

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.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lawrence E. Miller. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Fulton, Mo., Police Department, the Missouri State Technical Assistance Team and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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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