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FULTON, MO., MAN INDICTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that a Fulton, Mo., man has been indicted by a federal grand jury for possession of child pornography.

Mikel P. Sweeney, 32, of Fulton, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting in Jefferson City on April 30, 2003.

The federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 4, 2002, **Sweeney** was in possession of computer files that contained visual depictions of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. Those files, the indictment alleges, were transported in interstate or foreign commerce by computer, and were produced using materials that had been mailed or shipped in interstate or foreign commerce.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lawrence E. Miller. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Missouri State Technical Assistance Team, the Fulton, Mo., Police Department, the Division of Family Services, and the Jennings County, Indiana, Sheriff's Department.

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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