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THREE DEFENDANTS INDICTED FOR CONSPIRING TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that three defendants were indicted by a federal grand jury today for their involvement in a crack cocaine conspiracy.

Jeffrey D. Tubbs, 30, **Edward Henderson**, 48, and **Kellie E. Allen**, 24, all of Kansas City, Mo., were charged in a six-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury meeting today in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that between Jan. 7, 2003, and Jan. 30, 2003, **Tubbs** and **Henderson** conspired to distribute more than 50 grams of crack cocaine in Jackson County, Mo.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 7, 2003, **Henderson** distributed crack cocaine.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 16, 2003, **Henderson** and **Allen** distributed crack cocaine.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 23, 2003, **Henderson** and **Tubbs** distributed crack cocaine.

Count Five of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 2, 2003, **Henderson** and **Tubbs** distributed crack cocaine.

Count Six of the federal indictment alleges that on Jan. 30, 2003, **Tubbs** distributed more than 50 grams of crack cocaine.

Today's indictment replaces a federal criminal complaint filed on Jan. 31, 2003.

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 Assistant U.S. Attorney Gregg R. Coonrod. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

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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