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## **LINDSAY SENTENCED FOR MANUFACTURING METH**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Louisiana, Mo., man was sentenced today for conspiring to manufacture methamphetamine at a residence near Sturgeon, Mo.

**William Clarence Lindsay**, 38, of Louisiana, Mo., was sentenced this morning by U.S. District Judge Nanette E. Laughrey to two years and six months years in prison without parole.

On August 12, 2002, **Lindsay** pleaded guilty to a conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine. **Lindsay** was indicted by a federal grand jury on December 14, 2001.

By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Lindsay** admitted that he was detained by officers as he ran from a Sturgeon, Mo., home where they were serving a search warrant on June 30, 2001. Inside the house, Graves said, officers found methamphetamine as well as meth-making chemicals, equipment and drug paraphernalia. **Lindsay** admitted in his plea agreement that he told officers that he had 40 grams of ephedrine in his glove box, and that he often provided pills and other precursor items to a co-defendant in exchange for methamphetamine.

Officers searching **Lindsay's** car found pseudoephedrine as well as equipment and other chemicals associated with methamphetamine production, Graves said.

A co-defendant, **Ronald Jay Riley**, 38, of Sturgeon, Mo., pleaded guilty to his role in the conspiracy on August 16, 2002, and awaits sentencing.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Lynn. It was investigated by the Mid-Missouri Unified Strike Team and Narcotics Group (MUSTANG), the Boone County Sheriff's Department, the Columbia and Hallsville police departments, and the Hazmat

Methamphetamine Response Team of the Boone County Fire Protection District.

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