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**MACEO MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO VIOLATING FEDERAL DRUG,
FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES LAWS**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **CLINTON WAYNE MCKENNEY**, age 31, of Maceo, Kentucky, in Daviess County, **pled guilty** on April 11, 2005, to attempting to manufacture methamphetamine, possession of unregistered explosive devices, and being an unlawful user of methamphetamine and marijuana in possession of firearms.

The maximum potential penalties, are 40 years' imprisonment, a \$750,000.00 fine, and at least 3 years' supervised release.

McKenney admitted that on or about November 10, 2004, he attempted to manufacture methamphetamine. Prior to that date, **McKenney** had acquired numerous items and chemicals necessary for the manufacture of methamphetamine. **McKenney** had previously admitted to law enforcement, at the time of his arrest, that he had begun the mixing process to manufacture methamphetamine, but did not complete it. He told the law enforcement officials that he attempted to make methamphetamine using a recipe he had acquired from the internet. When law enforcement

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officials searched **McKenney's** residence on November 10, 2004, they found and seized numerous materials which are consistent with the manufacture of methamphetamine.

When law enforcement officials searched **McKenney's** residence on November 10, 2004, they found several explosive devices, *i.e.*, pipe bombs. The devices were rendered safe by the Evansville Police Department Bomb Squad. The component materials were submitted to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives' forensic laboratory where a chemist reviewed the materials and conducted several tests which revealed that the pipe bombs had contained explosive materials. In addition to admitting his possession of the devices, **McKenney** acknowledged that he had previously admitted to law enforcement officials that he had made the devices.

Finally, **McKenney** admitted that he was an unlawful user of marijuana and methamphetamine. He acknowledged that he had last used methamphetamine the night before his arrest on November 10, 2004, and that he used about two grams of methamphetamine per week. In addition to the pipe bombs recovered by police while searching **McKenney's** residence, law enforcement officials found several other firearms, including a loaded R.G. Industries .38 caliber revolver bearing serial number 053187, a Remington .22 caliber bolt-action rifle bearing serial number 1202966, a Stevens .22/.410 combination rifle/shotgun with no visible serial number, and rounds of ammunition. None of the above-listed firearms were manufactured in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. **McKenney** acknowledged that he had possessed all of the firearms while being an unlawful user of marijuana and methamphetamine.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jo E. Lawless. It was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Daviess County Sheriff's Department, and Evansville Police

Department.

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The plea was entered before Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District Court, Owensboro, Kentucky.

McKenney is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge McKinley on July 7, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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