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**MADIGAN, GOETTEN: METH MAKER FOUND GUILTY**

Chicago -- Attorney General Lisa Madigan and Greene County State's Attorney Matthew J. Goetten today announced a rural Jersey County man faces from nine to 40 years in prison after he was found guilty of four Class X felony charges related to the unlawful manufacture of methamphetamine.

Judge Lois A. Bell found Cecil M. Grogan, 46, guilty of unlawful manufacture of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), unlawful criminal drug conspiracy, unlawful possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and unlawful possession of methamphetamine manufacturing chemicals pursuant to a stipulated bench trial that took place in Carrollton on February 6. A sentencing hearing has been set on March 22.

On January 29, 2005, acting on a search warrant requested by Inspector Michael McCartney of the South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (SCIDTF), members of the SCIDTF, the Illinois State Police, the Greene County Sheriff's Department, and the Carrollton Police Department found more than 900 grams of a liquid substance that contained methamphetamine at the residence of Stephen D. Jennings in rural Rockbridge, Greene County. Grogan's case stems from this incident.

The Southern Illinois Drug Task Force of the Illinois State Police handled the investigation. Assistant Attorneys General Grant Swinger and Simeon Kim of Madigan's Statewide Grand Jury Bureau assisted the prosecution team led by Goetten.