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Media Release

To: All media outlets
From: Jennifer L. McFarland
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RE: Evidence of a meth lab in Viola, Idaho
Date: 5 April 2006

On 4/4/2006 at about 20:40, Latah County Sheriff's Office, with the assistance of members of the Quad Cities Drug Task Force and the Idaho State Police investigative unit out of Lewiston, served a search warrant on a home in Viola, Idaho. The warrant had been issued for evidence of a methamphetamine production lab at 1207 Flannigan Creek Road, Viola, Idaho. Deputies and other officers searched the home pursuant to the warrant and found several items that indicated a recent past meth "cook" had occurred. Among those items were numerous packages of Sudafed, packaging and weighing equipment, items covered in or containing residue (presumed to be meth residue), and several smoking devices (paraphernalia). At about 00:05 on 4/5/2006, one of the residents of the home, Carrie L. Pixley, a 37 year-old Viola woman, attempted to kick and bite two deputies, and (successfully) grabbed one of the deputies assisting in the search (causing injury to him). Pixley was arrested for Battery on an Officer, I.C. 18-915. She was taken into custody and booked into the Latah County Jail. Deputies continued their search until about 02:43 on 4/5/2006, when HazMat clean-up crews arrived. Personnel stayed on-scene until the clean-up was complete (at about 04:36). No other charges have been filed at this juncture; other charges are pending further investigation. There were no children at the residence. No further information is available at this time.