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KENTUCKY MAN INDICTED ON CHILD SEX ABUSE AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

INDIANAPOLIS – A federal grand jury in Indianapolis, Indiana has indicted Jack A. Taylor, 67, a resident of Russell County, Kentucky, on aggravated sexual abuse and related child pornography charges, Assistant Attorney General Alice S. Fisher of the Criminal Division and Acting U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana Timothy Morrison announced today. Taylor was indicted in a four-count indictment charging one count of crossing state lines with the intent to engage in sexual acts with a minor under 12 years old (aggravated sex abuse), and one count each of producing, transporting, and possessing child pornography. Taylor also faces a forfeiture allegation which subjects to forfeiture items seized during the investigation that were used to commit the offenses.

The indictment charges that during the early Fall of 2006, Taylor traveled from the State of Kentucky to Lebanon, Indiana, within the Southern District of Indiana, with the intent to engage in sexual acts with a minor, "Jane Doe," who was under 12 years of age at that time. During the same time frame, the indictment also charges that Taylor, using a digital camera and related equipment, knowingly used Jane Doe to produce images of child pornography. Finally, the indictment charges that Taylor transported images of child pornography on a computer compact disk (CD) in interstate commerce when he traveled to Lebanon, Indiana, and then possessed images of child pornography on various computer media devices, both in Lebanon and at his home in Russell County, Kentucky.

If convicted on all counts, Taylor faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 30 years imprisonment, a maximum penalty of life in prison, a \$250,000 fine, and a possible lifetime term of supervised release.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate,

apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov/>.

The case is being prosecuted jointly by Assistant United States Attorney Steven DeBrola of the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Indiana and Trial Attorney Steven Grocki of the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section of the Department of Justice's Criminal Division. The case was investigated by the United States Secret Service, with the assistance of the Lebanon, Indiana Police Department and the Russell County, Kentucky Sheriff's Department.

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