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*** OFFICER SAFETY ADVISORY ***

The attached photographs show a substance that, if outside of its container, would appear to be unprocessed Methamphetamine crystals. This substance is very lethal if it comes into contact with skin surface or is taken orally or by injection. One part per million is all it takes to kill within a short period of time. Its street name is 2C5TOM or 5TOM - it is a pesticide compound and listed by the chemical name as 2-METHOXY-4-METHYL-5-METHYLTHIOAMPHETAMINE or 4-(METHYLTHIO) M-ORESOL.

The substance was recovered from Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri by members of the Metro Drug Task Force on 01-13-04 and released to members of the Office of Environmental Management/Household Hazardous Waste. The site contained approximately 4 individual portable/boxed clandestine Methamphetamine laboratories. The substance was recovered from one of the boxed labs at the site and was contained in a 4-ounce glass jar labeled "4-(METHYLTHIO) M-ORESOL".

On 01-14-04, Mr. Bill Lowry, Supervisor for Household Hazardous Waste, responded to the Metro Drug Task Force facility, to alert Task Force members of the extreme health hazard this substance presents to unprotected personnel who may come into contact with this substance being used at future clandestine Methamphetamine laboratory sites.

Mr. Lowry further expressed that extreme caution should be used by Task Force personnel, or any Law Enforcement personnel, who may come into contact with this substance at suspected clandestine Methamphetamine laboratory sites in the future.

