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NEWS RELEASE

Glenn T. Suddaby, United States Attorney for the Northern District of New York, announced today that DALE E. EDMONDS, age 43, of Clay, New York, pled guilty to one count of willful attempt to evade and defeat federal income taxes, in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7201. The guilty plea was entered in Federal District Court in Utica, New York before District Judge David N. Hurd, who will sentence EDMONDS on January 14, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. in Utica, New York. EDMONDS faces a maximum term of up to 5 years in prison, 3 years supervised release, and a \$250,000 fine.

In entering his guilty plea, DALE E. EDMONDS admitted that, between 1997 through 1999, he failed to pay income taxes despite earning annual income, which the IRS estimates to total approximately \$157,000, \$119,000 and \$258,000, respectively. EDMONDS is alleged to owe more than \$150,000 in unpaid taxes to the Internal Revenue Service. The Indictment alleged that EDMONDS sought to limit his tax withholdings in 1999—a year for which he failed to file a federal tax return—by overstating his dependants and declaring nine allowances on an Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate (W-4 Form).

The charges against EDMONDS follow an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Anne Marie Coons. Further inquiries can be directed to Assistant U. S. Attorney Thomas A. Capezza, Syracuse, New York at (315) 448-0672.