PRESS RELEASE
Case #13-504825

UPDATE-April 3, 2013

Detectives Seize Second Meth Lab from Portland Residence

On April 2, 2013 at about 10:00 p.m., Westside Interagency Narcotics Team (WIN) Detectives responded to 23 North Baldwin Street in Portland. They located a functioning methamphetamine (meth) lab in the residence. The meth lab was not "cooking" at the time but had all items to manufacture the meth. It was also apparent that meth had been recently manufactured at this location.

Detectives received evidence from the Chevy van containing a meth lab mentioned in the previous release, that there was another meth lab located at the North Baldwin Street residence. Portland Police Bureau Detectives assisted Sheriff's Detectives with the incident and in the lab clean-up and disposal.

Sheriff's Detectives arrested Dan Miller, 54, who resides at the residence where the meth lab was discovered. Dan Miller is lodged in the Washington County Jail charged with Unlawful Possession and Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance (meth) and Attempt to Commit Manufacturing of a Controlled Substance. He is held on 30K bail. Additional charges will be forthcoming from Portland Police Bureau Detectives at a later date.

Deputies Seize Meth Lab from Vehicle

April 2, 2013—A Sheriff's Deputy found a vehicle and discovered items consistent with a meth lab. Evidence was seized and chemicals were destroyed.

On April 2, 2013, at 1:06 p.m., a Washington County Deputy Sheriff found a parked 1976 Chevrolet van with a utility trailer at SW 97th Avenue and SW McMillan Street in Raleigh Hills, an area of the Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District (ESPD).

The Sheriff’s Deputy had evidence to believe the van contained illegal drugs so he requested a K9 search. A drug K9 handler and his partner, “Maverick” searched the van and discovered a large amount of glassware and chemicals commonly used for manufacturing “cooking” methamphetamine.

The area was cordoned off for safety due to the potentially dangerous chemicals. Some of the gasses that can be emitted from mixing these types of chemicals can be fatal. The Washington County Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement Team (CLET) assisted in the safe removal of the chemicals and
contaminated glassware. The roadway was closed for about six hours to allow for the cleanup. The Westside Interagency Narcotics Team (WIN) also assisted in the investigation.