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HUNTLEY MAN INDICTED ON FEDERAL TAX CHARGES FOR FAILING TO REPORT $748,640 IN BUSINESS RECEIPTS

ROCKFORD -- PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and BYRAM TICHENOR, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division, today made the following announcement:

A federal grand jury in Rockford today indicted **JAMES F. GREVE**, 50 (DOB: 06/17/54), of Huntley, for filing false federal income tax returns for himself and his company. The indictment alleges that Greve filed false personal income tax returns for tax years 1998, 1999, and 2000, and a false corporate income tax return for tax year 2000, that failed to include a total of $748,640 in business receipts.

The indictment alleges that Greve operated a snow-plowing and construction business known as Greve Construction and later as Greve Construction, Inc. The indictment charges that on April 15, 1999, Greve filed a false personal income tax return for tax year 1998 that failed to include $158,539 in receipts from snow-plowing and construction activities. The indictment further alleges that on April 15, 2000, Greve filed a false personal income tax return for tax year 1999 that failed to include $201,736 in receipts. According to the indictment, on August 6, 2001, Greve filed a false corporate income tax return for tax year 2000 that failed to include $388,365 in receipts and resulted in a net loss, and filed a false personal income tax return for tax year 2000 in which he claimed the corporate loss.

If convicted of the crimes charged in the indictment, Greve faces up to five years of imprisonment and a fine of $250,000 for each of the four charges. Defendants convicted of tax offenses are also subject to the payment of costs of prosecution as well as the civil collection of all taxes, penalties, and interest due, in addition to any criminal penalties.

The arraignment has been set for Thursday, March 31, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. before Magistrate Judge P. Michael Mahoney in the federal courthouse in Rockford. The case was investigated by Special Agents of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation. It will be prosecuted in United States District Court by Assistant United States Attorney JOHN G. McKENZIE.

Members of the public are reminded that an indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is entitled to a fair trial at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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