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BRIDGETON, NEW JERSEY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO TRAVELING FOR ILLICIT SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH A MINOR AND DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

CAMDEN, N.J. – Carl Timm, 55, of Bridgeton, N.J., pleaded guilty today to an Information charging him with traveling with the purpose of engaging in illicit sexual conduct with a child and distribution of child pornography over the Internet, United States Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

Timm was initially arrested in March 2010 by the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office as a result of an investigation by state and local authorities. Timm entered his guilty plea today before United States District Judge Joseph E. Irenas in Camden federal court.

According to documents filed in this case and statements made in court:

Timm admitted that between 2005 and 2006, he traveled from New Jersey to New York with a video camera for illicit sexual conduct with a child under the age of 12 – identified in court documents as M.B. Timm also admitted that he shared child pornography over the Internet using a peer-to-peer file sharing program; he both downloaded child pornography to his own computer in Bridgeton and permitted others to download criminal images from his computer. Certain files were identified by file names which explicitly described their content.

The maximum statutory potential penalty for traveling with the purpose of engaging in illicit sexual conduct with a child is 30 years in prison. Timm also faces a maximum of 20 years and a mandatory minimum of five years in prison on the child pornography distribution charge. Both counts also carry a maximum \$250,000 fine. Timm will be required to register as a sex offender. Sentencing is scheduled for February 7, 2011.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Michael B. Ward; the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force; the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice; and the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office with the investigation leading to today's guilty plea.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jacqueline M. Carle of the U.S. Attorney's Office Criminal Division in Camden.

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