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**METAL SUPPLY COMPANY AND ITS PRESIDENT PLEAD GUILTY
TO DEFRAUDING THE U.S. NAVY**

PHILADELPHIA - Bristol Alloys, Inc. and its president, James Bullick, 42, both of Fairless Hills, PA, pleaded guilty today to one count of Major Fraud Against the United States, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. The defendants, in the business of selling metal to various customers, fraudulently supplied a Navy subcontractor with metal that did not conform to required military specifications and provided counterfeit certifications that purportedly showed that the metal had been heat treated in accordance with the contract requirements when, in fact, as the defendants knew, no such heat treatment had occurred. The metal supplied was used in building Virginia Class submarines.

Sentencing is scheduled for January 31, 2011. Bristol Alloys, Inc. faces a maximum possible sentence of five years probation, a \$5 million fine, mandatory restitution, and a \$400 special assessment; James Bullick faces a maximum possible sentence of 10 years imprisonment, a three year period of supervised release, a \$5 million fine, mandatory restitution, and a \$100 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John J. Pease.

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