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HAMLIN MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGE

ROCHESTER, N.Y.-- U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Jason Nettnin, 20, of Hamlin, N.Y., pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge David G. Larimer, to possession of child pornography. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison, a fine of \$250,000 or both.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marisa J. Miller, who is handling the case, stated that the Department of Homeland Security executed a search warrant at the defendant's residence in September 2011, where they located computer media containing images and videos of child pornography. Some of the images included prepubescent children and depictions of violence.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The plea is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, under the direction of Special Agent In Charge James C. Spero.

Sentencing is scheduled for February 1, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. before Judge Larimer.

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