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Guilty Plea in Marijuana Case

Jacob Adam Buck, 29, of Eureka, pled guilty today in Humboldt Superior Court to possession of marijuana for sale, possessing of over \$100,000 related to the sales of marijuana and possession of a firearm.

On August 22, 2010, Buck was stopped by Oregon State Police for reckless driving. When questioned, Buck told the trooper that he had picked up his two passengers from the Portland airport and was driving them back to his home in Eureka. During a search of the vehicle the Oregon police located false identifications for all three. The trooper was suspicious of Buck's explanation and contacted Humboldt County law enforcement. Further investigation prompted local officers to conduct surveillance at Buck's house where they observed activity consistent with illegal drug activity. A subsequent search of Buck's house uncovered approximately 185 pounds of marijuana, \$261,122 in cash, numerous scales, vacuum food sealers, packaging materials and firearms in the residence. The investigation revealed that Buck and others from Minnesota came to Humboldt County to process marijuana and then transported it back to Minnesota for distribution.

Buck faces up to three years in prison and is scheduled to be sentenced on June 8, 2011 by Superior Court Judge W. Bruce Watson.

The case was prosecuted by Maggie Fleming and the defendant was represented by M.C. Bruce.

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