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## ALLEGED SUPPLIER OF CHEMICALS TO PRODUCE 11 MILLION DOSAGES OF GHB ARRESTED

A narcotics investigation that began in Orlando more than 2 years ago has concluded with the arrest of a Clearwater man who is alleged to have supplied the chemicals to produce more than 11 million dosages of GHB, commonly called the "Date Rape" drug.

Arrested November 16, 2004, was Greg Cummins, Jr., age 30, W/M, a co-owner of *Carechem*, a now defunct chemical business, and *G.E. Financial* in Clearwater, Florida. After an arrest sweep in Central Florida of 15 GHB dealers August 2003 and follow-up arrests of 19 higher level GHB dealers in March 2004, investigating agents from the Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation (MBI), Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), and United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), were able to obtain evidence to charge Greg Cummins, Jr. as the alleged supplier to the higher level GHB dealers in Central Florida as well as Broward, Duval and Pinellas counties.

A search of suppliers of GBL by DEA also revealed that *Carechem* had stopped ordering GBL solvent from an out-of-state supplier after the last series of arrests occurred earlier this year.

Evidence revealed that a \$750 fifty-five (55) gallon drum of GBL was being divided and sold for an average of \$15,000 to persons using the GBL to produce GHB. The amount of GBL purchased would have produced 5,445 gallons of GHB.

An individual dosage of GHB, equivalent to a small water bottle cap full, typically sold for an average of \$10. Police estimate that the 11 million individual dosages from the 5445 gallons of GHB involved would result in more than 111 million dollars in illegal narcotics sales that could be produced at the street level.

The prosecution of the persons charged as a result of the investigation is being handled by the Office of Statewide Prosecution. If additional details are needed contact MBI Lt. Larry Zwieg at (407) 836-9724.

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