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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – TWO ARRESTED FOR DRUG ACTIVITY

[Lancaster, Ohio, July 18, 2011] Sheriff Dave Phalen advised that on July 15, 2011, deputies obtained consent to search the property located at 4955 Hopewell Church Rd., Lancaster, Ohio. During the search, five marijuana plants were located growing behind the garage and there was presence of illegal manufacturing of methamphetamine inside the garage. The Fairfield-Hocking Major Crimes Unit was contacted and responded to the scene.

Mark S. Seifert, 51, of 4955 Hopewell Church Rd., Lancaster, Ohio was arrested and charged with one (1) count of Illegal Manufacturing of Methamphetamine (F2), punishable by up to 8 years confinement and $15,000 fine; one (1) count of Illegal Assembly of Chemicals (F3), punishable by up to 5 years confinement and $10,000 fine; and one (1) count of Illegal Cultivation of Marijuana (F5), punishable by up to 12 months confinement and $2,500 fine.

Also taken into custody was Darci M. Noble, 47, of 4550 Julian Rd., Amanda, Ohio. She was charged with one (1) count of Trafficking in Drugs (F5), punishable by up to 12 months confinement and $2,500 fine; and one (1) count of Possession of Drugs (M1), punishable by up to 180 days confinement and $1,000 maximum fine.

Sheriff Phalen advised a hazardous material team was contacted and responded to the scene to remove chemical waste from the property and that the investigation will continue.