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PRESS RELEASE:
Fannettsburg Search Warrant – October 30, 2016

At approximately 1810 hours on 10/30/2016, members of the Pennsylvania State Police Troop G Vice Unit and the Franklin County Drug Task Force executed a search warrant at the residence of Edmund Bloomfield, 10699 Path Valley Road, Fannettsburg, PA. The search warrant was obtained as part of an ongoing investigation into the distribution of heroin from the residence. The Franklin County Drug Task Force had previously executed a search warrant on this residence on February 17, 2016, and seized over 120 bags of heroin. Wendy R. Rhone, DOB: 12/11/1977, was arrested for Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance as a result of that incident. Following the execution of the first search warrant, information was received by the Pennsylvania State Police Troop G Vice Unit and the Franklin County Drug Task Force that Bloomfield continued to distribute heroin from the residence, following the arrest of Rhone.

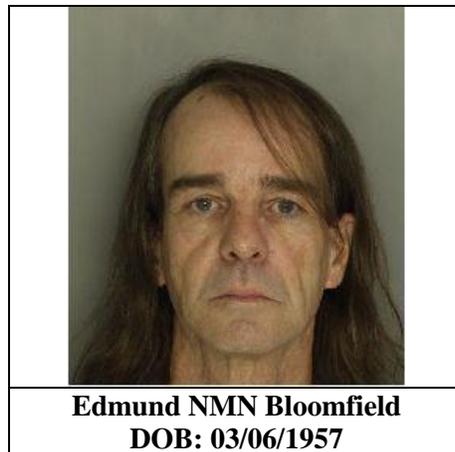
During this investigation, confidential informants were used to make several controlled purchases of heroin from Bloomfield. Two of these purchases were made in Dublin Township, Fulton County, and one was made from Bloomfield's residence, 10699 Path Valley Road, Metal Township, Franklin County. Following the last controlled purchase, investigators obtained a search warrant for Bloomfield's residence. During the execution of the search warrant, investigators recovered approximately 5-6 grams of raw heroin, 31 pre-packaged wax bags of heroin, a small amount of marijuana, assorted drug paraphernalia associated with the sale of controlled substances, and pre-recorded confidential funds used during the controlled purchases of heroin made from Bloomfield during the investigation.

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Bloomfield was charged with four counts of Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance, four counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance, four counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and one count of Criminal Use of a Communications Facility. He was arraigned by District Justice Larry Pentz and committed to the Franklin County Jail in lieu of \$200,000 bond. Bloomfield's preliminary hearing is tentatively scheduled for 1300 hours on 11/08/2016, at Franklin County Central Court.

The following agencies participated in this investigation: Pennsylvania State Police – Troop G Vice Unit, Pennsylvania State Police – Troop H Vice Unit, Shippensburg Borough Police, Franklin County District Attorney's Office, and the Pennsylvania State Police – Chambersburg Patrol Unit.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation or other drug activity occurring within Franklin County is asked to contact the Franklin County Drug Task Force at 1-800-344-3127 or by email at tips@drugtaskforce.org. Anonymous tips may also be submitted through our website: www.drugtaskforce.org. All information provided is confidential and callers may remain anonymous if they wish.



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**NOTE: The defendants are accused of the above offenses, and readers are reminded that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.*