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A search warrant was executed on a residence in unincorporated Solano County, Vallejo on Wednesday afternoon. At approximately 1:30 p.m. the Solano County Sheriff's Office Cal-MMET/SOL-NET unit (California Multi Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement Team/Solano Narcotics Enforcement Team) conducted the search on the 100 block of Cypress Ave.

Upon entering the residence law enforcement personnel discovered a sophisticated marijuana grow in the basement, consisting of 31 mature marijuana plants, as well as evidence of previously harvested marijuana plants. The cultivation consisted of an automatic watering and lighting system requiring little effort on behalf of the grower. No persons were present at the location.

Further investigation and evidence directed law enforcement to an additional location on the 100 block of Newcastle Drive in the City of Vallejo. This residence also contained a marijuana grow site consisting of 125 mature and young marijuana plants, categorized by size in separate rooms of the home. Also discovered were evidence of sales, processed marijuana weighing 4 lbs and 5 ounces and several firearms consisting of two 9-mm semi automatic pistols, a 44 caliber semi automatic pistol, a 9-mm semi automatic rifle,

The estimated street value of the plants is that of approximately \$780,000, with the processed marijuana being estimated at approximately \$21,750. Two young children living in the home on Newcastle Drive were placed into the care of Child Protective Services.

Both residences are owned by 47 year old Michael Kohn, who was later taken into custody and booked into the Solano County Jail on various drug charges and child cruelty. He is being held on a bail amount of \$59,998 and is scheduled to appear for arraignment in the Solano County Superior Court on January 9, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

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