

USDA Orders Andrew Pudliner, d/b/a/ Pudliner Packing to Cease and Desist

WASHINGTON, February 22, 2007 - On December 15, 2006, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) filed a consent decision and order against Andrew Pudliner (Pudliner), a packer doing business as Pudliner Packing, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Pudliner was assessed a civil penalty of \$3,250 and was ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock.

The decision results from an investigation that culminated in a complaint filed on August 30, 2006, in which GIPSA alleged Pudliner, despite letters of notice, failed to pay for livestock within the time period required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act.

The P&S Act is a fair trade practice and payment protection law that promotes fair and competitive marketing environments for the livestock, meat, and poultry industries.

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