

Pasqual A. Leone, dba P.A. Leone Livestock is Assessed a Civil Penalty in the Amount of \$5,500

WASHINGTON, March 31, 2009- On September 11, 2008, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a decision without hearing by reason of consent with Pasqual A. Leone (Leone), doing business as P.A. Leone Livestock, Rome, New York.

Leone has been ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay the full purchase price for livestock purchased within the time period required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act.

Leone has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$5,500.

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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