

GIPSA Alleges Joe U. Ambrose, Jr. Failed to Pay The Full Price for Livestock

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23, 2009 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Joe U. Ambrose, Jr. (Ambrose), California:

- failed to pay the full purchase price for livestock within the time period required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act; and
- as of November 2, 2009, failed to pay for \$352,811.43 worth of livestock purchases.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against Ambrose on November 30, 2009. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Ambrose may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Ambrose engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce as a dealer for his own account; as a market agency buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis; is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer to buy and sell livestock in commerce for his own account; and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a market agency to buy livestock in commerce on a commission basis.

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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