

GIPSA Alleges Kao Vang and Chue Thao, dba California Fresh Meats Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14, 2010 -The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Kao Vang (Vang) and Chue Thao (Thao), doing business as California Fresh Meats, Fresno, California, engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce without maintaining an adequate bond.

GIPSA filed a [complaint against Vang and Thao](#) on December 20, 2009. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Vang and Thao may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Vang and Thao engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce as a dealer for their own account; are not registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer; and operated as a dealer within the jurisdiction of the Secretary

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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