

David DeStafino, dba D&D Stockhauling is Suspended as a Dealer

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18, 2010 - On January 27, 2010, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a decision without hearing by reason of consent with David DeStafino (Destafino), doing business as D&D Stockhauling, Cullman, Alabama.

DeStafino has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- failing to pay the full purchase price of livestock within the time period required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act;
- failing to pay the full purchase price for livestock; and
- issuing checks for livestock purchases without having sufficient funds to cover checks.

DeStafino has been suspended for a period of 5 years. DeStafino is prohibited from operating as a dealer, buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account.

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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