

GIPSA Alleges Randall J. Unger Failed to Pay for Livestock Purchases

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7, 2010 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Randall J. Unger (Unger), doing business as Lake Area Livestock Marketing, Watertown, South Dakota:

- purchased livestock and did not pay the full purchase price for livestock; and
- issued checks in payment for livestock purchases that were returned unpaid by the bank.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against JBS on September 30, 2010. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Unger may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended and assessed a civil penalty.

Unger was engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer buying and selling livestock.

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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