

GIPSA Alleges Charles Jeffers 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 Charles Jeffers (Jeffers), Somerset, Ohio:

- purchased livestock and did not pay the full purchase price for livestock; and
- as of the date of this complaint, \$23,600.44 remains unpaid.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against Jeffers on September 29, 2010. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Jeffers may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended and assessed a civil penalty.

Jeffers was engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce as a dealer for his own account or the account of others and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

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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