

GIPSA Alleges Michael R. Norris, dba Broken Arrow Cattle Company Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 2010 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Michael R. Norris (Norris), doing business as Broken Arrow Cattle Company, Unionville, Missouri, operated as a market agency without maintaining an adequate bond as required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act and regulations.

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

Norris engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce on a commission basis; operates as a dealer and market agency, and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

The Packers and Stockyards 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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