

**JBS USA, LLC, fka Swift & Company and Swift Pork Company Is Assessed a Civil Penalty in the Amount of \$175,000**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6, 2011 - On December 22, 2010, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with JBS USA, LLC (JBS), formerly known as Swift & Company and Swift Pork Company, Greeley, Colorado.

JBS has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- failing to disclose when missing Fat-O-Meat'er data has prevented JBS from calculating the lean percent of a particular carcass or carcasses in a seller's lot; and
- substituting an undisclosed lean value for carcasses with missing data when calculating carcass-merit payment for hogs delivered to JBS' Worthington, Marshalltown, and Louisville processing plants.

JBS has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$175,000 with \$50,000 to be held in abeyance in accordance with the terms of the Understanding Regarding Consent Decision entered between the parties.

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.

#

GIPSA Release 03-11

Catherine M. Grasso 202-720-7201  
[Catherine.M.Grasso@usda.gov](mailto:Catherine.M.Grasso@usda.gov)

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272(voice), or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).