

GIPSA Alleges Randy Myers Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, July 28, 2011- The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration's (GIPSA) has found evidence that Randy Myers (Myers), after being notified to discontinue all livestock operations for which bonding is required under the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, continues to buy livestock in commerce on a commission basis without registering or maintaining an adequate bond as required by the P&S Act and Regulations.

GIPSA filed a **complaint** against Myers on June 15, 2011. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Myers may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Myers engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis and is not 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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