

GIPSA Alleges Upchurch Livestock, Inc., Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29, 2011 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Upchurch Livestock, Inc. (Upchurch Livestock), Science Hill, Ky., failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against Upchurch Livestock on August 19, 2011. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Upchurch Livestock may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyard (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Upchurch Livestock was engaged in the business as a dealer, buying and selling livestock in commerce for its own account; 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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