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**GIPSA Alleges Ronnie Lewis, dba Lazy L Order Buyers
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27, 2011 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Ronnie Lewis, doing business as Lazy L Order Buyers:

- operated as a dealer without being registered or maintaining an adequate bond as required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act;
- purchased livestock and failed to pay the full purchase price for livestock;
- purchased livestock and failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock; and
- issued checks in partial payment for livestock purchases without having adequate funds to cover checks.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against Ronnie Lewis on October 5, 2011. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Ronnie Lewis may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Ronnie Lewis was engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce on a commission basis and is not 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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