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**GIPSA Alleges Michael V. Bott and Tony Bott
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 Michael V. Bott, Rupert, Idaho, failed to pay promptly for livestock purchases.

Tony Bott, Rupert, Idaho:

- failed to pay promptly for livestock purchases; and
- failed to maintain adequate records.

The respondents entered into a consent decision on October 30, 2007, and were ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price of livestock. During the period of March 2008 to October 2009, the respondents, under the name “MB Livestock” and their own names, failed to pay, when due the full amount of the purchase price for livestock in a timely manner. During this period they also issued 17 checks that were returned unpaid by the bank because respondents did not have and maintain sufficient funds on deposit.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against the respondents on September 27, 2011. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, the respondents may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended and assessed a civil penalty.

The respondents were engaged in the business of a dealer, buying and selling livestock in commerce for their own account and engaged in the business of a market agency, buying livestock on a commission basis.

Michael V. Bott is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer to buy and sell livestock in commerce, a market agency buying on commission, and a market agency providing clearing services.

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Tony Bott is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture as a dealer to buy and sell livestock in commerce.

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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