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**GIPSA Alleges Devon Perkins  
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 Devon Perkins, Irene, Texas:

- continued to operate as a market agency without filing an adequate bond or bond equivalent after being notified by GIPSA that he was in violation of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act; and
- from October 26, 2009 through December 14, 2009, he had 17 transactions involving a total of 490 head with a total purchase of approximately \$223,196, without maintaining a bond.

GIPSA filed a [complaint](#) against Devon Perkins September 28, 2011. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Devon Perkins may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Devon Perkins was engaged in the business of a market agency buying 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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