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David Ballou Has Been Assessed a Civil Penalty In the Amount of \$6,500

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 2011 – On November 18, 2011, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with David Ballou (respondent).

The respondent has been ordered to cease and desist from engaging in business in any capacity for which bonding is required by the Packer and Stockyards (P&S) Act and regulations without filing and maintaining an adequate bond.

The respondent has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$6,500.

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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