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GIPSA Settles a Case Resulting in a \$2,000 Civil Penalty

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 2011 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration’s (GIPSA) enforcement rules provide a mechanism to quickly resolve violations of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act. GIPSA may offer an alleged violator the option of waiving their right to a hearing and entering into a stipulation agreement to quickly resolve alleged violations.

GIPSA settled a case resulting in a \$2,000 civil penalty.

Silver Creek Pig, Inc., Carthage, Ill -- waived their right to a hearing, entered into a stipulation agreement, and agreed to pay a penalty of \$2,000 after GIPSA found that they failed to comply with the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act 2009; Sections 208, 209, and 210 of the Packers and Stockyards Act.

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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