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**Steve (Bubba) Kemp, dba Kemp Cattle
Has Been Assessed a Civil Penalty In the Amount of \$90,000**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 2011 – On November 25, 2011, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a consent decision with Steve (Bubba) Kemp, doing business as Kemp Cattle (respondent), Tolar, Texas.

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;
- engaging in operations subject to the P&S Act and regulations without being registered with GIPSA;
- purchasing livestock and failing to pay for livestock purchases within the time period required by the P&S Act; and
- issuing checks in payment for livestock without having sufficient funds to cover checks.

The respondent has been ordered to keep accounts, records and memoranda that fully and correctly discloses all transaction involved in his business. He has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$90,000.

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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