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**Devon Perkins Has Been Assessed a Civil Penalty In the Amount of \$7,500**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22, 2011 – On December 9, 2011, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Devon Perkins (respondent), Irene, 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 becoming properly registered.

He has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$7,500 of which \$2,500 will be held in abeyance for a period of 3 years. If the respondent is found to have violated the provisions of the cease and desist order during a period of 3 years from the effective date of this order, the \$2,500 will become due and payable.

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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