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**Michael V. Bott and Tony Bott Have Been Assessed
A \$34,000 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, July 20, 2012 – On March 9, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issued a default decision against Michael V. Bott and Tony Bott, Rupert, Idaho, which became final and effective on May 8, 2012.

Michael V. Bott and Tony Bott have been ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price of livestock.

They have also been order to keep records that fully and correctly disclose all transactions involved in their business, as required by section 401 of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act (7 U.S.C. § 221), including trucking or freight invoices and load make-up sheets.

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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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