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**GIPSA Alleges Jacob Thompson, d/b/a Jacob Thompson Cattle Co.  
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Jacob Thompson (Thompson), doing business Jacob Thompson Cattle Co., Carthage, Texas:

- issued checks in payment for livestock without having or maintaining sufficient funds available;
- failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price of livestock;
- failed to make full payment for two livestock purchases; and
- operated subject to the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act without having sufficient bond coverage.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Thompson on July 12, 2012. The complaint can be found on the GIPSA website: <http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/psp/enforcement.html>. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Thompson may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Thompson was engaged in the business of buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account and buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis.

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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