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**GIPSA Alleges Monte Clark Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Monte Clark, of Colo., purchased livestock and failed to pay, when due, the full amount of the purchased livestock.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Monte Clark on October 31, 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, Monte Clark may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Monte Clark was engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce and was registered with the Secretary of Agriculture from January 11, 2005 to September 9, 2010, when his registration to operate as a livestock dealer expired due to his failure to file a corrected 2009 Annual Report that reflected the addition of clearing services to his registration.

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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