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GIPSA Alleges Johnny Dobson 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 Johnny Dobson, Sulphur Springs, Texas, engaged in business of a market agency buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis without maintaining an adequate bond or bond equivalent.

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

Johnny Dobson was engaged in the business of a market agency buying livestock on a commission basis in commerce and is not registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

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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