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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

<p>In re:</p> <p>Royal Halal Meat, Inc.,</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Respondent</p>	<p>P & S Docket No D- 10-0379</p> <p>Complaint and Notice of Hearing</p>
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There is reason to believe that Royal Halal Meat, Inc., has willfully violated provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended and supplemented (7 U.S.C. § 181 *et seq.*)(the Act), and the regulations promulgated thereunder by the Secretary of Agriculture (9 C.F.R. § 201.1 *et seq.*)(regulations); and therefore, this complaint is issued alleging:

I.

- (a) Royal Halal Meat, Inc., ("Respondent Royal Halal") is a corporation incorporated in the state of Michigan, whose business address is 1826 Adelaide Street, Detroit, Michigan 48207.
- (b) From the relevant period of July 2008 to August 2008, Respondent Royal Halal was:
 - (1) engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce for the purpose of slaughter; and
 - (2) a packer within the meaning of and subject to the provisions of the Act.

II.

On the dates and in the transactions set forth in this paragraph, Respondent Royal Halal purchased livestock on a live-weight basis and failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price of the livestock.

Sale Date	Seller	No. of Head	Invoice Amount
07/03/2008	United Producers, Inc. Cincinnati, Ohio	66	\$7,029.91
07/03/2008	United Producers, Inc.	51	\$3,278.04
07/07/2008	United Producers, Inc.	23	\$3,055.49
07/20/2008	Tjernagel Family Livestock LLP Story City, Iowa	202	\$21,881.45
07/27/2008	Tjernagel Family Livestock LLP	193	\$20,867.35
08/11/2008	Mark Oberly Livestock Dundee, Michigan	107	\$9,222.13
08/12/2008	Mark Oberly Livestock	85	\$7,662.71
08/18/2008	Mark Oberly Livestock	94	\$5,902.30
	Total		\$78,899.38

As of the date of issuance of this Complaint, approximately \$58,535.94 of the livestock invoice amount remains unpaid.*

III.

On July 29, 2008, Respondent Royal Halal, in connection with its operations subject to the Act, purchased livestock and, in purported payment, issued a check, numbered 1592, to Mark Oberly for \$9,000.00. The bank upon which it was drawn informed the holder that the check

* This amount incorporates a payment in full to United Producers, Inc., which occurred on March 10, 2009. The amount unpaid is estimated and may be reduced by a minor amount because Respondent Royal Halal provided Mark Oberly Livestock some meat in partial payment.

could not be cashed, because Respondent Royal Halal did not have sufficient funds on deposit in the account on which the check was drawn.

IV.

By reason of the facts alleged in paragraphs II and III, Respondent Royal Halal has willfully violated sections 202(a) and 409(a) of the Act (7 U.S.C. § 192(a) and 228b(a)).

Wherefore, it is hereby ordered that for the purpose of determining whether Respondent Royal Halal has, in fact, willfully violated the Act, this Complaint and Notice of Hearing shall be served upon Respondent Royal Halal. Respondent Royal Halal shall have twenty (20) days after receipt of this Complaint and Notice of Hearing in which to file with the Hearing Clerk, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, an answer with an original and three copies, fully and completely stating the nature of the defense and admitting or denying, specifically and in detail, each material allegation of this Complaint and Notice of Hearing. Allegations not answered will be deemed admitted for the purpose of this proceeding. Failure to file an answer shall constitute an admission of all the material allegations of this Complaint and Notice of Hearing unless the parties have agreed to a consent decision pursuant to section 1.138 of the Rules of Practice (7 C.F.R. § 1.138). Respondent Royal Halal is notified that unless a hearing is waived, whether expressly or by failure to answer and request a hearing as provided by sections 1.136 and 1.141 of the Rules of Practice (7 C.F.R. §§ 1.136, 1.141), a hearing for the above-mentioned purpose will be held at a place and time to be later designated before an administrative law judge authorized to conduct a hearing. At the hearing, Respondent Royal Halal will have the right to appear and show cause why an appropriate order should not be issued, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, requiring Respondent Royal Halal to cease

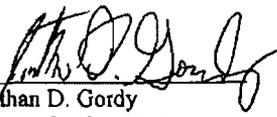
and desist from violating the Act with respect to the matters alleged herein, and assessing an appropriate civil penalty.

Done at Washington, D.C.

this 6 day of August, 2010



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