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GIPSA Settles a Case with Springfield Livestock Marketing Center, LLC, Resulting in a \$4,000 Penalty

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21, 2016 – On December 14, 2015, Springfield Livestock Marketing Center, LLC (Springfield), Springfield, Mo., waived its right to a hearing, entered into a stipulation agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA). Springfield agreed to pay a penalty of \$4,000 after GIPSA found that it had custodial account shortages.

GIPSA enforcement rules provide a mechanism to quickly resolve violations of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act. GIPSA may offer alleged violators the option of waiving their right to a hearing and entering into a stipulation agreement to quickly resolve alleged violations.

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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