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Oak Lake Cattle Company, Inc. and I.E. Byrd Have Been Assessed a \$4,000 Civil Penalty

WASHINGTON, March 24, 2017 – On April 13, 2016, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a consent decision and order with Oak Lake Cattle Company, Inc. (Oak Lake) and I.E. Byrd (Byrd), Okeechobee, Fla.

An Administrative Law Judge ordered Oak Lake and Byrd to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock.

They have also been assessed a \$4,000 civil penalty.

The consent decision resolves a complaint that GIPSA filed against Oak Lake and Byrd on March 30, 2016.

The Packers and Stockyards 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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