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Fedo Garcia and Riata Cattle Company, Inc. Assessed \$6,500 Civil Penalty

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14, 2017 – On July 12, 2017, Fedo Garcia and Riata Cattle Company, Inc., Raymondville, Texas, waived their right to a hearing and entered into a stipulation agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA). They paid a penalty of \$6,500 after GIPSA found that they failed to pay for livestock within the timeframe required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act.

GIPSA enforcement rules provide a mechanism to quickly resolve violations of the 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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