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Jon A. Smith Prohibited from Registering for a Period of Three Years Under the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30, 2017 – On Oct. 4, 2017, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a Consent Decision with Jon A. Smith (Smith), Halls, Tenn.

In the Consent Decision, an Administrative Law Judge ordered Smith to cease and desist:

- purchasing livestock in commerce; and
- failing to pay or failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price of such livestock.

Smith is prohibited from registering under the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act for a period of three years. He cannot operate individually or through any corporate or other device.

The Consent Decision resolves a Complaint that was filed against Smith on Oct. 2, 2017.

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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