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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:)	P&S Docket No. D-12-0595
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ZD Quality Meats, Inc.)	
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And)	
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Jamal Saramah,)	
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Respondents.)	Decision Without Hearing By Reason of Consent

This proceeding was instituted under the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended and supplemented (7 U.S.C. § 181 et seq.) (Act), and the regulations promulgated thereunder by the Secretary of Agriculture (9 C.F.R. § 201.1 *et seq.*), hereinafter referred to as the “regulations” by a Complaint filed by the Deputy Administrator, Packers and Stockyards Program, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the Respondents willfully violated the Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

Complainant and respondents have now agreed to entry of this Decision, without hearing or further procedure, pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice Governing Formal Adjudicatory Proceedings Instituted by the Secretary Under Various Statutes (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

The respondents admit the jurisdictional allegations in paragraph I of the Complaint and specifically admit that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter; neither admit nor

deny the remaining allegations; waive oral hearing and further procedure; and consent and agree, for the purpose of settling this proceeding and for such purpose only, to the entry of this consent decision.

Findings of Fact

(1) Respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey, with its principal place of business located at 174A Shaler Avenue, Fairview, New Jersey 07022.

(2) Respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc., under the direction, management, and control of respondent Jamal Saramah, is, and at all times material herein was:

(a) Engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce for the purposes of slaughter; and

(b) A packer within the meaning of and subject to the Act and regulations.

(3) Respondent Jamal Saramah is an individual with a business mailing address of 174A Shaler Avenue, Fairview, New Jersey 07022.

(4) Respondent Jamal Saramah is, and at all times material herein was:

(a) President of respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc.;

(b) Sole owner of respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc.;

(c) Responsible for the direction, management and control of respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc.; and

- (5) A packer within the meaning of and subject to the Act and regulations.

Conclusions

Respondents having admitted the jurisdictional facts and the parties having agreed to the entry of this Consent Decision, this Consent Decision will be entered.

Order

Respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc., its officers, directors, agents and employees, successor and assigns; and respondent Jamal Saramah, his agents and employees, directly or through any corporate or other device, in connection with Respondents' activities subject to the Packers and Stockyards Act, shall cease and desist from engaging in the business of a packer purchasing livestock in commerce for the purposes of slaughter without maintaining an adequate bond or bond equivalent.

Pursuant to section 312(b) of the Act (7 U.S.C. § 213(b)), Respondent ZD Quality Meats, Inc. and Respondent Jamal Saramah are assessed, jointly and severally, a civil penalty in the amount of three thousand and seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$3,750), to be paid immediately.

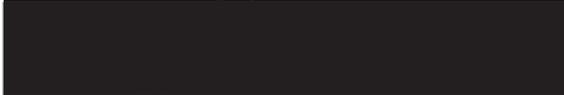
This Order shall have the same force and effect as if entered after full hearing. The provisions of this Order shall become effective on issuance.

Copies of this Decision and Order shall be served on the parties.

ZD QUALITY MEATS, INC.
Respondent,

By: 
JAMAL SARAMEH
President


JAMAL SARAMEH
Respondent


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Issued in Washington D.C.

this 31st day of October, 2012


ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE