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## GIPSA Alleges John E. Lundgren Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, June 5, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that John E. Lundgren (Lundgren):

- failed to pay, when due, for livestock purchases; and
- engaged in the business of a dealer without maintaining an adequate bond or bond equivalent.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Lundgren on May 16, 2012. The complaint can be found on the GIPSA website: <a href="http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/psp/enforcement.html">http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/psp/enforcement.html</a>. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Lundgren may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Lundgren was engaged in the business of a dealer, buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account and is not registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

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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