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Brad Bradley, dba Farm Direct Pork Company Has Been Assessed a Civil Penalty In the Amount of \$109,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26, 2012 – On October 18, 2011, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a consent decision with Brad Bradley (Bradley), doing business as Farm Direct Pork Company, Del Rio, Texas.

Bradley has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- engaging in the business of a dealer without obtaining the necessary registration and bond as required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act; and
- purchasing livestock and failing to pay for those livestock purchases.

Bradley has also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$109,000 to be abated up to the full amount of \$109,000, provided that Bradley makes payments to the livestock seller.

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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