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**GIPSA Alleges Chad Duncan, dba T&C Cattle 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 Chad Duncan (Duncan), doing business as T&C Cattle:

- purchased and sold livestock as a dealer or market agency without registering with the Secretary of Agriculture and securing a bond;
- failed to maintain adequate records which fully and correctly disclosed his purchases and sales of livestock; and
- committed deceptive practices in collusion with Tina Stockyards, LLC and received unjust profits in that he bought livestock from one stockyard for the account of another, marked up the livestock price, kept profits and also charged commission on the sales.

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

Duncan was engaged in business of buying and selling livestock in commerce as a dealer or on a commission basis as a market agency 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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