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**Lester J. Gemmen, Jr. Is Assessed a \$1,500 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, July 5, 2012 – On June 27, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Lester J. Gemmen, Jr. (Gemmen):

Gemmen has been ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price of livestock.

Gemmen has been assessed a civil penalty of \$1,500.

The Packers and Stockyards 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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