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**GIPSA Alleges Intermountain Livestock, Inc., and Dennis Arnzen  
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, July 20, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Intermountain Livestock, Inc. (Intermountain), and Dennis Arnzen (Arnzen), La Grande, Ore.:

- failed to properly maintain its custodial account in that it was operating with custodial account shortages; and
- failed to deposit in the custodial account, within the time prescribed by the regulations, an amount equal to the proceeds receivable for sales of consigned livestock.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Intermountain and Arnzen on July 5, 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, Intermountain and Arnzen may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Intermountain, under the direction, management, and control of Arnzen, engaged in the business of conducting and operating Intermountain, a posted stockyard under and subject to the P&S Act; engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce and as a market agency buying and selling livestock on a commission basis in commerce; and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

Arnzen is president, 100% owner, and responsible for the direction, management and control of Intermountain; engaged in the business of conducting and operating Intermountain, a stockyard posted under and subject to the P&S Act; and engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock on a commission basis in commerce.

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