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**Stagno's Meat Company, Inc.
Is Assessed a \$20,000 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9, 2012 – On June 15, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Stagno's Meat Company, Inc. (Stagno's Meat), Modesto, Calif.:

Stagno's Meat has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- failing to pay for livestock on actual hot weights; and
- charging a service fee in each transaction.

Stagno's Meat has been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$20,000.

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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