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GIPSA Alleges Jeffery D. Smith, a/k/a Jeff Smith, Dale T. Smith and Sons Packing Company, Inc., Webb Livestock, Inc., Jay Webb, and Wayne Bradshaw Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Jeffery D. Smith, also known as Jeff Smith (J. Smith), Dale T. Smith and Sons Packing Company, Inc. (Smith and Sons), Draper, Utah; Webb Livestock, Inc. (Webb Livestock), Jay Webb (Webb), Saint George, Utah; and Wayne Bradshaw (Bradshaw), Adamsville, Utah.

- failed to conduct their livestock purchase operations in competition with, and independently of each other at livestock sales; and
- furnished each other with information concerning their proposed livestock buying operations and other buying information – restricting and limiting competition.

GIPSA filed a complaint against J. Smith, Smith and Sons, Webb Livestock, Webb, and Bradshaw on August 6, 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, J. Smith, Smith and Sons, Webb Livestock, Webb, and Bradshaw may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

J. Smith engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account and the account of others; engaged in the business of a market agency buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis; a dealer; a market agency; and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

Smith and Sons engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce for the purposes of slaughter; engaged in the business of manufacturing or preparing meat and meat food products for sale or shipment in commerce; and a packer subject to the provisions of the P&S Act.

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Jeffrey D. Smith, a/k/a Jeff Smith
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Webb Livestock under the direction, management and control of Webb engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account and the account of others; engaged in the business of a market agency buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis; is a dealer; a market agency within the meaning of and subject P&S Act; and is registered with the Secretary of Agriculture.

Webb is president, 50% owner of the stock issued by Webb Livestock; and responsible for the direction, management and control of Webb Livestock.

Bradshaw engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account and the account of others and is 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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