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**GIPSA Alleges Gary N. Shifflett, Jr., dba Nelson Shifflett Livestock
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Gary N. Shifflett, Jr. (Shifflett), doing business as Nelson Shifflett Livestock:

- failed to pay the full purchase price for livestock;
- failed to pay, when due, for livestock purchases; and
- issued checks without having sufficient funds to cover such checks.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Shifflett on January 19, 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, Shifflett may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the P&S Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Shifflett was engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account 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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