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GIPSA Alleges Double H Slaughtering, Inc., d/b/a The Beef Shop, Arnold N. Huguenin, and Gene Huguenin Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20, 2012 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Double H Slaughtering, Inc. (Double H), doing business as The Beef Shop, Centralia, Wash., and Arnold N. Huguenin and Gene Huguenin failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock purchased.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Double H and Gene and Arnold Huguenin on September 13, 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, Double H and Gene and Arnold Huguenin may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act and assessed a civil penalty.

Double H engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce for the purposes of slaughter.

Gene N. Huguenin was president, 35% owner of the stock, responsible for the direction, management and control of Double H.

Arnold Huguenin was vice-president, 35% owner of the stock, responsible for the direction, management and control of Double H, and is a packer.

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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