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**Chad Duncan, d/b/a T&C Cattle Has Been Assessed  
A \$7,250 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20, 2012 – On August 28, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Chad Duncan (Duncan), doing business as T&C Cattle, Mo.

Duncan has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- engaging in operations subject to the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act without maintaining an adequate bond or bond equivalent; and
- failing to comply with the requirements of section 312(a) of the P&S Act (7 U.S.C. § 213); and
  - selling, billing, and collecting funds from principals on the basis of false and incorrect purchase prices;
  - issuing accounts of purchase or sale which fail to show the true and correct nature of the livestock transaction accounted for including but not limited to the true and correct purchase or sale price; and
  - preparing, changing, or altering invoices or other documents for the purpose of concealing or disguising fraudulent price increases or the true nature of the transaction.

Duncan has been ordered to maintain adequate records, invoices and/ or memoranda fully and correctly disclosing his purchase and sale of livestock.

Duncan has been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$7,250. An additional civil penalty of \$3,265.37 will be held in abeyance so long as Duncan pays restitution to the parties named in the Understanding Regarding Consent Decision (Understanding) in accordance with the terms of the Understanding.

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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