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**Weikert's Livestock, Inc. and Todd D. Weikert
Have Been Assessed A \$8,100 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4, 2012 – On September 20, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Weikert's Livestock, Inc. (Weikert's Livestock) and Todd D. Weikert (Weikert), Fairfield, Pa.

Weikert's Livestock and Weikert have been ordered to cease and desist from failing to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock purchases.

Weikert's Livestock and Weikert have also been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$8,100.

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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