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**Big Dan's Trucking, Inc. Has Been Assessed a Civil Penalty
In the Amount of \$2,500**

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8, 2012 – On February 22, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) entered into a consent decision with Big Dan's Trucking, Inc. (the respondent), Altura, Minn.:

The respondent has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- purchasing livestock on the basis of estimated or false weights; and
- purchasing livestock and failing to pay for livestock within the time period required by the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act.

The respondent has been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.

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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