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**GIPSA Alleges Robin Olson, d/b/a American Cattle Services  
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17, 2013 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Robin Olson (Olson), d/b/a American Cattle Services, Wis.:

- bought and sold livestock in commerce without having and maintaining an adequate bond or bond equivalent;
- issued insufficient funds checks in payment for his livestock purchases;
- failed to pay, when due, the full amount of the livestock purchase price; and
- alleged to sell the livestock on a carcass weight basis and paid the livestock sellers based on his estimate of the carcass weight, when in fact he sold the livestock on a live weight basis.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Olson on December 12, 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, Olson may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Olson was engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce and is not 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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