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**GIPSA Alleges Atlantic Veal and Lamb, LLC, Atlantic Veal and Lamb, Inc.,
and Philip Peerless
Violated the Packers and Stockyards Act**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24, 2013 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) has found evidence that Atlantic Veal and Lamb, LLC of Ohio, doing business as Atlantic Veal and Lamb, Inc. (Atlantic Veal), of Delaware, with a business address of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Philip Peerless (Peerless), Brooklyn, N.Y., purchased livestock and failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock purchases.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Atlantic Veal and Peerless 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, Atlantic Veal and Peerless may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act and assessed a civil penalty.

Atlantic Veal, under the direction, management, and control of Peerless, was engaged in the business of buying livestock in commerce for the purpose of slaughter and manufacturing and preparing meats or meat food products for sale or shipment in commerce and is a packer.

Peerless was president, 50% owner of stock issued by Atlantic Veal, and responsible for the direction, management, and control of Atlantic Veal.

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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