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GIPSA Alleges Tim Rowan 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 Tim Rowan, New Albany, Miss.:

- issued checks in payment for livestock purchases which were returned unpaid;
 and
- purchased livestock and failed to pay, when due, the full purchase price for livestock purchases.

GIPSA filed a complaint against Tim Rowan 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.

http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/psp/enforcement.html. If the allegations are admitted, or proven in an oral hearing, Tim Rowan may be ordered to cease and desist from violating the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act, suspended, and assessed a civil penalty.

Tim Rowan was engaged in the business of a dealer buying and selling livestock in commerce for his own account 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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