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**Curtis Malone Has Been Assessed a \$1,000 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24, 2013 – On November 19, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration entered into a consent decision with Curtis Malone, of Texas.

Curtis Malone has been assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000, which will be held in abeyance for one year, provided he maintains the necessary bond requirements for a market agency buying livestock in commerce on a commission basis. After one year, if Curtis Malone has maintained compliance with the necessary bond requirement and remains in compliance with the necessary bond requirement, the total amount will be reduced to zero dollars.

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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