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## Jeremy Emerson Has Been Ordered to Cease and Desist

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24, 2013 – On October 25, 2012, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issued a default decision against Jeremy Emerson, Checotah, Okla., which became final and effective on January 1, 2013.

Jeremy Emerson has been ordered to cease and desist from:

- engaging in business in any capacity for which bonding is required under the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act and regulations without first becoming properly registered and without filing and maintaining an adequate bond or its equivalent;
- failing to pay the full amount for the purchase of livestock before the close of the next business day following each purchase of livestock; and
- failing to maintain sufficient funds on deposit and available in the account upon which payment checks were drawn when presented.

Jeremy Emerson is prohibited from registering for a period of five years, however, at any time after 180 days from the effective date of this order, upon application to the Packers & Stockyards Program, a supplemental order may be issued permitting him to register if he demonstrates that all unpaid livestock sellers have been paid in full or that all unpaid livestock sellers have approved a plan for restitution, and that he has bond coverage acceptable to Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

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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