

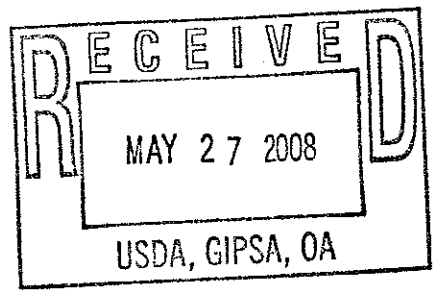
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:)
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) Cornbelt Beef Corporation,)
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) Respondent)
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) Consent Decision)

P. & S. Docket No. D-08-0057



This disciplinary proceeding was instituted under the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended and supplemented (7 U.S.C. § 181 et seq.; hereinafter "Act"), by a Complaint and Notice of Hearing, filed by the Deputy Administrator, Packers and Stockyards Program, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), United States Department of Agriculture (hereinafter "Complainant"), alleging that Respondent Cornbelt Beef Corporation has willfully violated the Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder by the Secretary of Agriculture (9 C.F.R. § 201.1 et seq.; hereinafter "Regulations"). The Consent Decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provision (7 C.F.R. § 1.138) of the Rules of Practice Governing Formal Adjudicatory Proceedings Instituted by the Secretary Under Various Statutes (7 C.F.R. §§ 1.130-1.151; hereinafter, "Rules of Practice").

Respondent Cornbelt Beef Corporation admits the jurisdictional allegations in paragraph I of the Complaint and Notice of Hearing and specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter; neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations; waives oral hearing and further procedure; and consents and agrees, for the purpose of settling this proceeding, and for such purpose only, to the entry of this Consent Decision.

Complainant agrees to the entry of this Consent Decision.

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Findings of Fact

1. Cornbelt Beef Corporation (hereinafter "Respondent") is a corporation whose mailing address is P.O. Box 08132 Detroit, Michigan 48208

2. At all times material herein Respondent was:

(a) Engaged in the business of purchasing livestock in commerce for purposes of slaughter, and of manufacturing or preparing meat or meat food products for sale or shipment in commerce, and;

(b) A packer within the meaning of and subject to the provisions of the Act

Conclusions

Respondent having admitted the jurisdictional facts and the parties having agreed to the entry of this Consent Decision, the Consent Decision will be entered.

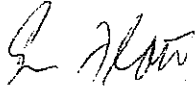
Order

Respondent Cornbelt Beef Corporation, as a corporation, and by its agents and employees, directly or through any corporate or other device, in connection with its activities subject to the Act, shall cease and desist from engaging in business in any capacity for which bonding is required under the Act and the Regulations, without filing and maintaining an adequate bond or its equivalent, as required by the Act and the Regulations.

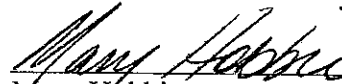
In accordance with section 203(b) of the Act, (7 U.S.C. § 193(b)), Respondent is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$5,750.00) to be paid in accordance with the provisions of the Understanding with Respect to Civil Penalty entered into by the parties.

This Order shall have the same force and effect as if entered after full hearing. The provisions of this Order shall become final and effective on the sixth (6th) day after service of this Order upon Respondent.

Copies of this Consent Decision and Order shall be served upon the parties.



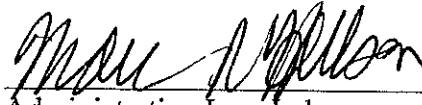
Sam Flatt, President
Cornbelt Beef Corporation
Respondent



Mary Hobbie
Attorney for Complainant

Issued in Washington, D.C.

this 23rd day of May, 2008



Administrative Law Judge