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Operational Guidance for Reporting the State of Origin of Livestock Purchased from Dealers/Brokers

Issue: Reporting the state of origin for livestock purchased from a dealer.

Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) Position: The term "origin" is defined as the state in which the livestock are fed to slaughter weight. When a packer purchases livestock from a dealer or broker, the actual state of origin may not be knows because the livestock may have come from varied sources in different states and comingled into fewer lots. By pooling livestock from varied sources for resales as a new lot to the packer, the dealer has in essence become the producer.

LPGMN Guidance: Packers are allowed to report the state of origin for any livestock purchased from brokers/dealers as being the state location of that broker/dealer unless the packer knows the actual origin of the full lot and reports it as such.

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