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## **Live Swine Sort Loss Reporting**

**Issue:** Reporting of swine sort loss (size discount).

Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) Position: Average sort loss is defined as the average discount (in dollars per hundred pounds carcass weight) for swine slaughtered during the applicable reporting period, resulting from the fact that the swine did not fall within the individual packer's established carcass weight range or lot variation range. Packers are required to report sort loss for swine purchased on a carcass basis.

**LPGMN Guidance:** Packers should not report a sort loss for swine purchased on a live basis. The live weight price paid to the producer is arrived at through negotiation already reflects the lot variation.

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