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Beef Purchaser Direct Antitrust Class Action Settlements

Cattle and Beef Antitrust Litigation, Case No. 0:20-cv-01319



Funds Amount: Over \$52.5 Million

Purchase Dates: January 1, 2015- February 10, 2022

Filing Deadlines: TBD

ELIGIBILITY:

All persons and entities who or which, from January 1, 2015 through February 10, 2022, purchased for use or delivery in the United States, directly from the “Defendants” or their respective subsidiaries or affiliates, boxed or case-ready beef processed from fed cattle, excluding ground beef made from culled cows. This definition excludes any federal, state or local governmental entities.

SUMMARY:

The class action lawsuit was originally filed by grocery stores and wholesalers in June 2020. The plaintiffs alleged the four defendants — who control 80 percent of the U.S. meatpacking industry — worked together since 2015 to suppress U.S. beef supplies in order to drive up the price of beef.

Defendants in this lawsuit for purposes of the Settlement Agreement are Cargill, Inc., Cargill Meat Solutions Corporations (a/k/a Cargill Protein) (collectively “Cargill”); JBS S.A., JBS USA Food Company, JBS Packerland, Inc., and Swift Beef Company (collectively, “JBS”); National Beef Packing Company (“National Beef”); and Tyson Foods, Inc., and Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc. (collectively “Tyson”) (together “Defendants”). This Settlement Agreement affects only claims against JBS.

The settlement will provide monetary relief to the direct buyers and includes an agreement by JBS to assist in helping the direct buyers prosecute defendants who choose not to settle.