



Canadian Cattlemen's Association

News Release

Canadian Cattlemen's Association Statement on Today's Hearing in Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

(July 13, 2005) Today the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals heard oral arguments in the United States Department of Agriculture appeal of the preliminary injunction currently keeping the U.S. border closed to live Canadian cattle.

The preliminary injunction was put in place on March 2, 2005 by Judge Richard Cebull of the U.S. District Court, Montana Division, until such time as a hearing into a permanent injunction could be held. The hearing into the permanent injunction will be held July 27 in Billings, Montana with a decision announced sometime thereafter.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals panel also heard the Canadian Cattlemen's Association and Alberta Beef Producers' appeal of Judge Cebull's decision to deny the organizations' request for intervenor status in the July 27 permanent injunction hearing.

It is not known when the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals will release its decision on either the temporary injunction or the denial of intervenor status.

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals decisions are posted when available on the website www.ce9.uscourts.gov.

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