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(Wyo.)-Nine Face Charges In Undercover Hog Farm Probe



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CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - An undercover probe of a pig farm near Wheatland by the Humane Society of the United States has resulted in misdemeanor charges against nine former workers.

The Platte County Attorney's Office filed the charges. Officials are still attempting to serve warrants on some defendants.

The Humane Society last summer released what it said is an undercover video, shot in April, showing workers abusing pigs at Wyoming Premium Farms in Wheatland. The society also claimed animals at the farm were kept in what it called inhumane conditions.

The defendants are scheduled to have their first court appearance in January. Attempts to reach defendants were unsuccessful.

A spokesman for the company says it implemented a comprehensive swine welfare program in June and that none of the defendants still works there.