

Case study on Group/Regional ordering:

Three alpaca breeders from VA got together and placed their orders with LLE and had them shipped to one of the three farms.

Here's how they saved on shipping costs by combining their orders.

Farm 1

Ordered panels and gates weighing 384 lbs

If shipped separately the freight would have been \$189

By combining with the other two farms their portion of the freight was only \$144

Savings realized: \$45

Farm 2

Ordered panels and gates weighing 148 lbs

If shipped separately the freight would have been \$137

By combining with the other two farms their portion of the freight was only \$56

Savings realized: \$81

Farm 3

Ordered panels and gates weighing 248 lbs

If shipped separately the freight would have been \$137

By combining with the other two farms their portion of the freight was only \$93

Savings realized: \$44

The smallest order realized the largest savings because their order was well below the weight of the lowest shipping rate. However all farms saved by combining their orders by splitting the base charges that the carrier charges for each shipment regardless of size.