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Subject:	THANKS

With reference to Docket number 03-0251F, I would like to thank you for your emergency measures to ban the slaughter of downed cattle for human consumption. It is sad that it has taken the danger of a cow, with mad cow disease, to bring this about, we have been fighting for this legislation for years and so glad that it has, at last, come to fruition.

Please make the ban permanent and include all downed animals - sheep, pigs and other livestock, as well as cattle, in the final ban. I also ask that you add a requirement that all downed animals be humanely euthanized immediately, wherever they become downed. Farm animals should be included, with all others, in the Animal Welfare Act. Thank you. Marion Thomas.

