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FSIS Docket Clerk
Docket 03-025IF
Room 102, Cotton Annex
300 12th and C Street SW
Washington DC 20250

February 9, 2004

Dear Clerk,

I'm writing regarding the USDA's temporary ban on using downed cattle in human consumption.

I fully support the ban and urge the USDA to permanently extend the ban to all animals who are farmed for human consumption.

Since downed animals can still be slaughtered in pet food facilities, I urge you to require that downed animals be euthanized, rather than allow them to be inhumanely dragged to slaughter while still conscious.

Thanks for accepting public input on the downed animal ban.

Sincerely,



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Thanks!