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General Comment: Dear Sirs or Madam,

I am writing to protest your intent to allow the 3 foreign owned horse slaughterhouses to pay to have horse meat inspected privately. I feel that this violates the intent of Congress. In addition, there was no public hearings on the petitions that the slaughterhouses proposed. This reeks of a sneaky, underhanded tactic. Considering the rash of unethical dealings recently exposed in our government, the under the table type dealings that you have done with the lack of public hearings on the petition, only makes your activities look even more suspect.

Please revoke your authorization of the petition to allow the slaughterhouses to pay for their own inspectors. The intent of the Ag bill Amendment was to ban horse slaughter. At the very least, place the petition by the slaughterhouses up for public hearings, like you were supposed to do. Enough of the sneaky, underhanded ways of government agencies!

Sincerely,

Linda C. McDaniel