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RE: Docket No. FSIS 2006-0040  
Product Labeling: Definition of the Term ``Natural'

To Whom It May Concern:

The factory farming of animals has become a particularly inhumane and cruel business. It is important that farmers who raise contented animals, that are allowed to live free of pain, be able to indicate to the public that their animals were raised "naturally".

Your label of "natural" does not do this, and is a farce. It requires no information about how animals are raised and treated before slaughter. I urge you to discontinue using the label or to expand it to include, and make transparent, the living conditions of animals exploited for food.

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