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I am writing to urge the Food and Drug Administration to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1. This petition prohibits the slaughter of downed animals for human food.

At this time downed animals are being marketed and slaughtered for human food. This causes intolerable animal suffering and threatens human health. I know that the USDA recently announced a new policy to stop purchasing meat from downed cows for Federal food programs. I hope petition 98P-0151/CP1 will be granted and downed animals will not be marketed or slaughtered for other purposes.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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